RECORDS

of the Yearly meeting for

Ministers & Elders

for

New England.

Ward London

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministery held at Newport on Rhoad Island y^d 13th & 14th 4^m^o: 1707 In the Morning at 9^th^ houre it began and — Continued untill y^e^ 11^th^: wherein many Testamoney's was born to the Edifiing Of y^e^ Ministers in generace, but no other Buisness.

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministring Friends held at Newport on Rhoad Island the 11^th^ 4^m^o. 1708. Beginning at 8 in the Morning,

It is Agreed that this Meeting have a Book to keep a Record & proceedings of the Buiness of these Meetings, Tho: Cornell is desired to provide one;

This meeting is Ajourned to the 12^th^ Instant, at 8. in the Morning,

Met According to Ajournment 12^th^ Instant, For asmuch as the wisdome of Truth, (for the maintaining and preservation of the Ministrey) Friends having Seen a Nessecity of Later at Quarterly Meetings of Ministers, to Appoint Suitable Person, in y Severale particular weakly Meetings, to ouer See that Worship & Testamony be duly and Orderly kept Unto, and the Ministrey kept blameless in all things, with which this Meeting has good Unity, and for a better Understanding and perfect knowledg, of the Affairs of the Ministrey, it is Agreed and Recomend'd to the Severale Quarterly Meetings of Ministers, in New-England for the future at Every Quarterly Meeting, Taking Next before the Yearly Meetings there be an Epistle Sent to this Meeting Signifiing the State of Affairs belonging to the Ministrey, and that not

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with standing Such Epistles all Publick frd:
and Overseers be carefull to give Due and Di-
=igent attendance at this Meeting, at the Time
Appointed,

Our Friend Patrick Henderson being present
at this Meeting, whose Certificates from Ireland
Dated y 4th 11mo: 1706, and from Long Island y
5th: 12mo: 1707/8, has been Read with which frd hai
Unity,

This Meeting is Ajourned to Next Yeare at the
Usiale Time and Place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministery held at
Newport on Rhoad-Island the 10th: 4mo: 1709.

This Meeting received an Amount that there is a
book provided,

This Meeting is Ajourned to y 11 Instant at 8 in
the Morning,

being Met According to Ajournment y 11th Instant
This Meeting received an Epistle from Rhoad Island
Quarterly Meeting, which is Sattisfactorey,
but no Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meeting of
Ministery, which they for the future are desired
to be more Carefull in,

Our friend, Griffith Owen & Jno: Salkild being
here, there Certificates from the Meting they
belong to, ware Read,

This Meeting doth Appoint Ebenez: Slocomb -
Samll Comstock & Wm: Anthony junr: to Draw
Epistles to the Severale Quarterly Meetings belong
ing to this Meeting, what Necessary Matter may be
thought proper to Recomend to them,

this Meeting is Ajourned to y 13th Instant at 9 in the
Morning, for the Overseers to give an Amount
how the publick Meetings of Worship have been

3 Carried on, The Meting met Acording Acording to Ajornment y^e 13. Instent,

The Overseers make Report that things have been well carried on as to Worship & Testamony.

This Meting is Ajourned to Next Yeare at the Usiall Time and place.

At a Yearly Meting of Ministring Friends held at Newport on Rhoad Island y^e 9: 4/m^o: 1710.

The meeting was held for a Time in Worship - wharein was Severale Sutable Testamoneys and Nesesary Cautions given,

The Severale Metings Called, Rhoad Island - Quarterly Meeting of Ministers presented an Epistle which was kindly Accepted,

Salem Called, no Answer as Yet

Sandwich, Called, they presented an Epistle which was kindly Accepted,

This Meting is Ajourned to y^e 10^th Instant at 8 in y^e Morning.

Being met Acording to Ajournment y^e 10^th Instant wharein was Som time Spent in worship, and Severale Nesesary Cautions given,

This Day we Rece an Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meting, which is well Accepted,

It's thought fitt to propose to the Gearrale Yearly Meeting of Buisness, next Second day, that there may be two Meetings on y^e first Day of the week in y^e Yearly Meting time for the future.

It's ordered that the Overseers Meet next 2^d day Morning before the meeting of Ministers, begin to give an Amount how y^e Meetings of Worship - have been Carried on, and that for the future they Continue yearly to Doe the Same.

This Meeting is Ajourne to y^e 12^th Instant at 8 in the Morning.

The Meeting met According to Ajournment
ye 12th Instant,

The Overseers being Called upon gave Account, that in a generale way the Meetings have been well Managed,

The Epistles to the Severale Quarterly meetings ware Signed by the Clarke,

This Meeting is Ajourn'd to Next Year at the Usuale Time and Place.

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministery held at Newport on Rhoad Island 4: 8: 4mo 1711.

The Severall Meetings belonging to the Same Called,

Rhoad Island, Ebenezer Slocumb, Jacob Mott junr & William Wilkinson, present, and also an Epistle which was kindly Accepted,

From Salem, none present by Appointment norany Epistle,

This meeting is Ajourn'd to ye 9th Instant at ye 8th houre in ye Morning.

Being met According to Ajournment ye 9th Instant,

Received an Epistle from Sandwich Quarterly meeting giveing an Account that things and there care are in a generale way pretty well,

Thomas Shaler, Anthony Morris, Richard Symonds, & Jno Oxley, being present, there Certificate being read was Satisfactory,

William Wilkinson and Abra: Anthony junr are Appointed to draw Epistles to the Severale Quarterly Meetings,

This Meeting is Ajourned to ye 11th Instant at 8 in ye Morning.

Being Met Aworing to Ajournment the 11th Instant,

The friend, Appointed presented an Epistle to the Severall Quarterly Meetings of Ministers which is Approved And Signd by Ord. of this meeting,

The Overseers being Called, Do give an Account that y. Meetings in a generale way have been prety well Managed,

This Meeting is Ajourn'd to Next Yeare at y. usiale Time and place.

All a Yearly Meeting of Ministers held at Newport on Rhoad Island the 13th 4/mo: 1712.

The Severall Meetings belonging the Same Called for Rhoad Island, Ebenez Slocum C. Jacob: Mott Joseph Smith, present.

for Salem; None present,

Sandwich none present,

Rhoad Island Quarterly Meeting present, Ds an. Epistle, to Our Sattisfaction,

This Meeting is Ajourned to y. 14th Instant at the 8th houre in y. Morning.

Being Met Aworing to Ajournment y. 14th Instant, and held Some time in worship, Severall Nessecary Cautions given, and then the Meeting proceed'd to Business, and Red an Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meeting, to Our Sattisfaction,

This Meeting is Ajourned to ~~Ajourned~~ to the 16th Instant at y. 8 houre in the Morning,

Being Met Aworing to Ajournment y. 16th Instant, the Overseers give the following Account, that things in a generall way have been prey well to the Sattisfaction of friends,

Wee doe Appoint Ebenez Slocom & Tho: Rodman. to Draw and Signe Epistles to the Severall Quarterly Meetings of Ministery, in the behalf of this meeting This Meeting is Ajourned to Next Yeare at the Usuall Time and place.

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministring Friends, held at Newport on Rhoad Island y: 12th 4m: 1713.

The Severall Quarterly Meetings Called,
for Newport, Ebenez Slocumb. Jacob. Mott
Thomas: Rodman & Joseph Smith, present,
for Salem, Richard. Easti, Samd. Collings, and
Walter. Newberry present.
for Sandwich, none present,

This Meeting is Ajourn'd to the 13th Instant at the 8th houre in y Morning.

Being Met Acording to Ajournment the 13th: Instant, the Epistles from Rhoad Island and Sandwich Quarterly meeting was Read to our Sattisfaction
We Appoint Ebenez. Slocum & Tho: Rodman to Draw Epistles to the Severall Quarterly Meetings giveing an Account of the Nessecary proceedings of this meeting, and bring them next day to this meeting.

Our friend Ann Chapman Certificate from Pensilvania of there Unity with her in her travell was Read to our Sattisfaction

This meeting is Ajourned to the 15th Instant at y 8th houre in the Morning,

Being met Acording to Ajournment the 15th Instant, the Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meeting was Read to our Sattisfaction,

Our friend Thomas. Chalkley Certificate from

our Friends in Maryland of there Unity with
him in his Travell was read to our Comfort,

This meeting Received an Account, that our Friend
Lidia. Norton, had a Concern upon her mind to
visite Friends in Berbados, and doe freely Signifie
there Unity therewith, provided a Suitable Compa-
nion Offer, and Ebenez Slocumb & Jacob. Mott
Thomas Rodman, are appointed to Signifie the
Same on behalf of this meeting, on the backside
of her Certificate, from the Meeting of Minis-
tery at Salem,

The Epistle to the Severall Quarterly meetings
being read was Ordered to be Signed in behalf
of this Meeting by Ebenez Slocumb,

The Over Seers gave the following Account
that in the generall the meetings was well manag'd

This meeting is Ajourn'd to next Yeare at the
usuall Time and place,

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring Friends
held at Newport on Rhoad Island the 11th: 4/mo:
1714.

After Som time being Spent in worship the
Meeting proceed'd to Buisnes,

The Severall Meeting being Called,
for Rhoad Island, Ebenez Slocumb, Jacob —
Mott, & William Authony, present.
for Salem, Richard Tosti & Walt. Newbery &c —
for Sandwich, Stephen Harper present.

This meeting is Ajourn'd to y 12th Instant at
the 8th houre in the Morning,

The meeting being met According to
Ajournment y: 12th Instant,

Epistle from Rhoad Island Quarterly meeting was read to our Sattisfaction,

Tis Agreed that there be a meeting of Ministers and Overseers at Nantucket on the 5th Day of the weak at the 8th houre in the Morning in there yearly meeting time, and to Continue for the future,

The Epistle from Sandwich Quarterly meeting was read to our Sattisfaction,

Our friend Lidia: Norton being returnd from Berbados produse a Certificate of friendly unity with her there,

Our friend Johane: Mott, being returnd from visiting friend, Pett Shrosburey, Philadelphia & produced, Certificate of friend, unity with her there,

The Certificate of Our worthey friend - Jams Dickerson from the meeting, to which he belongs, in Cumberland in great Britain was - read to our great Sattisfaction, of there unity with him in his Travels into America;

This Meating receiving no Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meting, they are desired for the fut. to be more Carefull,

This meeting doth Appoint Ebenez. Slocumb - Jacob: Mott, Walter: Newberry, to draw - Epistle to the Severall Quarterly Meetings, giveing an Acount of the Neseccary proceedings of the Same,

Our friend Ailce Anthony being returnd from visiting friends at Barbados, produced her Certificate from them of her Service whilst there was read to Our Sattisfaction,

This meeting is Ajourned to the 14th. Instant at the 8th. Houre in the Morning,

Being met According to Ajournment the 14th. Instant

The Certificate of Our Worthey friend Tho Wilson, from the meeting unto which he belongs in the Kingdom of Ireland, Signifiding there Unity with him in his Travells as a Gospell Minister in America, was read to our great Comfort & Sattisfaction,

The Overseers give the following Amount that as to worship and Testamony things were to the Comfort of friends,

The Epistles from the Severale Quarterly meetings was read and Ordered to be Signed by Jacob: Mott & Ebenez Slocumb,

Ebenez. Slocumb. Jacob: Mott & Tho: Leach are Appointed to Overlook ye minitts of this meeting, and record the Same in the new book,

This meeting doth Appoint Ebenez. Slocumb Dan. Gould, Thomas: Rodman. Jacob. Mott, to Draw and Signe Certificates for Our Esteemd frd Tho. Wilson and Jams Dickerson Signifiding our Unity with them in there travells in these parts and Signe the Same in the behalf of this meating,

This meeting is Ajourned to next Yeare at the Usuall time and place.

At A Yearly meeting of Ministring friends held at Newport on Rhoad-Island the 10th. of the 4th Mo. 1715.

Some time Spent in Worship, Severale Neseeary Cautions given, the meeting proceed to Buisness,

The Severall Quarterly meeting's being called
for Rhoad Island: Jacob: Mott Thos: Rodman
and Joseph Smith present,
for Salem, none present by Appointment
Sandwich, none present by Appointment
Our friend, Gabriell: Newby & Mathew —
Pritchard of North Carolina being here —
produced Certificate from the meeting, to
which they belong, Signifying there Unity
with them in there Travells into these parts
was read to our Sattisfaction,
The Epistle of Rhoad Island Quarterly meeting
being present'd was read to Our Sattisfaction,
The Epistle from Sandwich Quarterly meeting
was also read to Our Sattisfaction,
This meeting is Ajourn'd to the 11th: Instant to
the 8th houre in the morning,
Being met According to Ajournment the
11th Instant, Some time was Spent in worship —
Severall Testamoney's Borne proper to the
Ministers and Overseers, the meeting proceed
to Business,
We not receiving an Epistle from Salem
Quarterly meeting doe therefore agree to ad
vise them to there Duty for the future, in the
Epistle from this meeting,
This meeting Ord: the Severall Quarterly mee
tings to remove all Such Overseers as are not
Rightly Qualified for that Service and Chuse
Such as are in there places,
Our worthey and Antient friend Ebenez
Slocumb being Deceas'd and therefore it minuth
of this meeting remain on record we doe

thereupon now Appoint, William. Wilkinson
to perform that Service with y^e remaind^r part
of the friends Appointed,
This meeting doth Appoint Jacob Mott Jose
Smith & Wm. Wilkinson to Draw Epistles to the
Severall Quarterly Meetings and Bring them
to the next 2^d Day morning meeting,
This meeting is Ajourn'd to the 13^th Instant
at the 8^th houre in the morning,
Being met Acording to Ajournment the
13^th Instant, the Overseers give the following
Account that the meetings in a generall way
was prety well managed,
The friends Appointed having drawn the
Epistles to the Severall Quarterly meetings,
was read and Sign'd at this meeting by Jacob
Mott. Thomas: Rodman & Edw^d. Wanton.
Our friend Richard Symond, of Long=
Island, being here produced a Certificate
for the meeting to which he doth belong
Signifying fr^d. Civility with him in his
Travells into these parts was read to Our
Satisfaction,
This meeting is Ajourn'd to next Yeare at
the usiall time and place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring fr^ds held at
Newport y^e 8 Day 4 M^o 1716.

Which for Some time was held in Worship and
Several Nessecary Cautions & Advise was given to
the Comfort & Sattisfaction of this Meeting.
The Several Quarterly meetings thereunto belonging

belonging was Called whose Representatives are Viz.
For Rhoad Island, Jacob Mott, Joseph Smith
and Jno. Wanton present.

Salem, None present by Appointment but an
Epistle Sent.

Sandwich, None present & Appointment.

The Epistle from Rhoad Island Quarterly meeting
was Read to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Epistle from Salem Quarterly Meeting was
Read to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our Friend Christy Blackborn
from y Meeting he belongs, Signifying their unity with
his Visiting friends, in these parts was Read to the Satisfaction
of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our Island friend Wm. Baldwin
Peter Haron & Eli: Wharton by from y Meetings they belong
unto, Signifying their Unity in Visiting Friends in these
parts was Read to y Satisfaction of this Meeting.

This Meeting is Ajorned to y 11th Instant at the
8 hour in y Morning.

This Meeting being met According to Ajornment
the 11th Instant.

The Overseers being called upon give y following
Acct. That for y most part things have been managed
well to Satisfaction.

The Epistle from Sandwich Quarterly Meeting
was Read to y Satisfaction of this Meeting.

This Meeting doth Appoint to Draw Epistles, to the
Several Quarterly Meetings of Friends giving them
an Acct of what may be Necessary & Signe it in the
behalf of y Same, Jacob Mott & Joseph Smith.

This Meeting is Ajorned to Next Year at the
Usual time and place.

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At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring friends held
at Newport ye 14 day 4 Mo 1717.

Some time being Spent in Worship and Several
Testimonies borne to the Satisfaction thereof.

The Several Quartly Meetings called upon. their
Representitives are Viz.

For Newport, Jacob. Mott Jno. Wanton and Thomas
Richardson present.

For Salem None present by Appointment.

For Sandwich, none present.

This Meeting is Ajorned to ye 15 Cant. at ye 6 hour
in ye Morning by our Fd. Jno. Harmer, Request.

Our friend Jno. Harmer having Requested this Meet-
ing for Reading & imparting Some Concerns which he
Saith Rested as a Weight upon him, Accordingly mett this
15. Currant, who hath heard ye Matter, and According this
Meeting hath Advised our D. Fr. Jno. Harmer to forbeare
publishing any paper here presented until ffrd be further
Satisfyed therewith. this Meeting is Ajorned to the 7.
hour in ye Evening.

The Meeting being mett Accordingly it is the mind
of this Meeting, that Jno. Harmer do give up all his
papers Relateing to Negroes, & Casting of Lotts, to be
disposed of as ffrd in ye Wisdom of Truth may see
occasion. & also that he Keep to preach Reflectingly
Against ffrd. whilst in ye Unity of ye Body.

This Meeting is Ajorned to ye 17 Instant at ye 8.
hour in ye Morning

This Meeting mett Accordingly ye 17th Instant.

Our Loveing friends Griffith Owen & Jno. Sackett, Cer-
tificate from ye Mins.t Meeting held at Philadelphia
Signifying their Unity with their Visiting friends in
their parts, was Red to ye Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Epistle from Rhode Island Quartly Meeting was
Red to ye Satisfaction of this Meeting.

This Meeting doth Appoint to draw Epistles to the

Severale Quart[r]ly Meetings of Minist[rs] Recomending what may be Necessary from this Meeting Jacob Mott and John Wanton and they Signe it in y[e] Behalf of y[e] Same.

The Overseers give an Acco[t] that in y[e] generall way things have been pretty well in y[e] afore going meetings of Worship.

In as much as Jn[o] Farmer hath Refused to Deliver up to this Meeting all his Papr[s] about Negroes & Lotts; it is y[e] mind of this Meeting that he forbeare to put forth to Offer his Gift, untill he hath given this Meeting Sattisfaction.

This Meeting is Ajorned to y[e] 6 hour in y[e] Evening — Severall friends haveing a mind to Labour further with him to give Sattisfaction.

The Meeting mett Accord[g] to Ajornment, and about twenty friends had Laboured with Jn[o] Farmer to give this Meeting Sattisfaction between Meeting, but could not prevaile, this Meeting sent for him, and he Refused to come, no other Business Offering this Meeting is Ajourned to Next Yeare at y[e] usuall time & place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring frd[s] held at Newport y[e] 13: 4[th] Mo[e] 1718.

Some time being Spent in Worship frd[s] proceed to their Business. y[e] Severall Meeting being called upon

For Rhoad Island, Jacob Mott, Jn[o] Tucker and William Anthony p[r]Sent.

Salem, None present p[r] Appointment.

Sandwich Jn[o] Wing and Dan[l] Peary p[r]Sent.

The Epistle from Rhoad Island Quart[r]ly meeting of Ministr[s] was Red to this Meeting, Sattisfaction.

This Meeting is Ajorned to y[e] 16: Instant. at y[e] 8 hour in y[e] Morning.

The Meeting being mett According to Ajournment y[e] 16: Instant.

The Certificate of our Friend Rachel Symonds, from

from y Mtly Meet at Westbury Signifying their unity with her Visiting Friends in those parts was Red to y Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Overseers being called upon give an Acco: that for y most part things have been Carried on pretty well and where it hath been otherwise care hath been taken

This Meeting is Ajorned to y 5th hour in y Evening

The Meeting being mett Accordingly. Doth Appoint Jacob: Mott & Thomas Leach to draw Epistles to y Quartly Meetings of Ministr giving an Acco: of y Affairs of this Meeting. no other Business present this Meeting is Ajorned to Next Year at y usual time & place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring Frd held at Newport y. 12: Day 4 Mo 1719.

Some time Spent in worship Friends proceed to their Business. & Call upon each Meeting Viz:

For Rhoad Island, Thomas Rodman Jacob: Mott and Wm Anthony present.

Salem none present y Appointment.

Sandwich, Jno Wing present.

The Epistle from Salem Quartly meeting was Red giving an Acco: of y State of that Meeting.

This Meeting is Ajorned to the 15 Instant at the 8 hour in y Morning.

The meeting being mett y. 15th. Instant.

The Epistle from Rhoad Island Quartly Meeting of Ministr was Red giving an Acco: that their Meetings have been duly kept and favoured in some degree with Touches of Divine Love to their Mutuall Comfort.

The Epistle from Sandwich Quartly meeting was Red giving an Acco: that things are pretty well amongst them and their Meetings have been Carried on in good Ord?

The Overseers being called upon give an Acco: that things in y Generall have been pretty well.

The Certificate of Friends Jno Dawson, Isaac: Hawdon

Isaac Hawden Lidia Lancaster, Eliz: Rawlison &
Eliz: Wharton by from y Meeting to which they belong
Signifying their unity in Visiting us was Red to
the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our friend Lidia Morton from
y Monthly Meeting at Burlington Signifying her
unity with her Visite was Red to Satisfaction.

This Meeting doth Appoint to draw Epistles to the
Several Quarterly Meetings to Recomend what may be
Necessary Jacob Mott & Joseph Smith, & they to Signe
it in behalf of y Same.

This Meeting is Ajorned to y 4 hour in the
afternoone.

The Meeting met Accordingly, and fr[d], being
uneasey with Jn[o] Hewlett formerly denying or evaded
in Pensilvania that he had a Wife he hath made
this Meeting Satisfaction by a Testamony under his
hand, a Coppey of which is Ordered to be Sent to friends
in Pensilvania by Thi: Leach. and it is further
agreed that all animosities that hath Risen on
Jn[o] Hewletts Accou[t] may be Don away & never more
be brought up against him or any friends

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring fr[d] held
at Newport y 10[th] 4 M[o] 1720.

Some time being spent in Worship friend proceed
to their Business.

(For Rhoad Island Quarterly Meeting. There was —
Rodman, Jacob. Mott, & Wm Anthony, Present.
Salem Quarterly Meeting none present nor
no Accou[t]
Sandwich Quarterly Meeting none p[r]sent
by Appointment but an Epistle sent.

The Epistle from Rhoad Island was Red giving an Accou[t]
that in a generall way things have been pretty well. &
where any thing to y Contrary hath happened care
hath been taken with an Amendment.

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The Epistle from Sandwich Meeting was Red giving an Acct that things have been prety well for the Year past.

This Meeting doth Appoint Jacob Mott John Wanton & Wm Anthony to Draw Epistles to the Quarterly Meetings of Ministrs giving an Acct of what may be Necessary from this in ord.r to be Signed at y.e Next 2.d Day Meeting.

This Meeting is Ajorned to y.e 13.th Instant at the 8 houre in y.e Morning.

The Meeting being met According to Ajornment the 13. Instant and proceed to their Business.

The Certificate of our Esteemed friend Joseph Kirkbright & Jno.a Lee from y.e Meeting they belong to Signifying their Unity with them in their Visiting us, was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Overseers being caled upon give an Acct that y.e Carrying on of y.e proceeding Yearly Meeting was in y.e generale very well & to generale Satisfaction

The friends Appointed presented an Epistle which was Red and Approved & Signed at this Meeting by — Jacob Mott, Jno.a Wanton, Wm Anthony & Thos Leach.

Whereas Jno.a Hewlet hath formerly Appeared in Publick Testamony among st vs, Things not Appearing in his Conduct Amongst friends agreable to truth it is y.e Judgment of this Meeting that for y.e future he forbeare to Offer his gift by way of Publick Testamony until he hath given friends Satisfaction.

This Meeting is Ajorned to Next Yeare at the usuale time & place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring f.ds held at Newport y.e 9.th 4.th Mo.th 1721.

Some time being Spent in Worship y.e Meeting proceeded to their Business & Enacted as y.e Several Quarterly Meetings there Represented are Viz.t

For Rhode Island Jacob Mott & Jno.a Richardson that

For Salem Quarty Meeting none sent but by Appointmt.

Sandwich & Situate hr Mting sent.

An Epistle from Rhoad Island Meting was Red giving an Acct that their Meting have been duly kept & that a concern had Rested on ye Mind of ffrd for the well Ordering ye Affairs thereof & that things under their care are pretty well.

An Epistle was Red from Salem, by which they Informe that ye Ministry among them had been Approved of but that Worship had not been soe well as could be desired.

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform that their Metings had been in some degree Attended with the good presence of God, and ye Affairs thereof Managed in love, nice Worship & Testamony hath been pretty well at Sandwich, but had no Acct from Situate.

This Meting is Adjorned to ye 12 Instant at 9 & home in ye Morning.

The meeting being mett Acording 12 Instant after some time spent in Worship frd proceed to their Business.

The Certificate of our frd Margret Paine from ye Mcly Meeting at Hartford, and from ye Morning Meting of Minrs at London, Signifying their Unity with her Visiting frd in America, was Red to ye Sattisfaction of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our friend Eliz: Teague from ye Mcly Meeting & Minrs Meting at Philadelphia — Signifying their unity with her Visiting frd in those part was Red to ye Sattisfaction of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our Esteemed frd Jno Appleton from ye Mcly Meeting held near Mumby Chapple in Lincoln Shire, & from ye 2d Day Morning Meeting of Minrs in Lond, Signifying their Unity with him in his Visiting frd in America was Red to ye Sattisfaction of this Meeting.

The Overseers being called upon give ye following Acct that ye Yearly Meeting of Worship being Conven'd by them, it is concluded that in ye Generall things

things have been pretty well, and where any thing hath happened to y^e Contrary care hath been taken and Cautions given for y^e future.

This Meeting doth Appoint Thomas Rodman & Jacob Mott to draw Epistles to y^e Several Quarterly Meetings Recomending what may be Necessary & Signe it in behalf of y^e Same.

This Meeting is adjourned to Next Yeare at the Usuall time and place.

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministring Friends held at Crewport y^e 6^th Day. 4 Mo. 1722.

Some time being Spent in Worship friends proceed their Business and Call over y^e Several Quarterly Meetings whose Representitives are Viz^t?

For Rhoad Island. Thomas Rodman and Jacob: Mott p^r Sent.

Salem. Sam^l Colling, Sam^l Pope & Joseph Thrusher p^r Sent.

Sandwich & Situate, Jn^o Wing & Robert Barker p^r Sent.

This Meeting is Adjourned to y^e 11 Instant at y^e 8 hour in y^e Morning.

The Meeting being met According to Adjournment the 12 Instant. After Some time Spent in Worship friends proceed to their Business.

By Epistle from Rhoad Island they Informe that their Meeting have been Injoyed in a good degree of peace & Unity, and that in y^e generall things are in a Creditable, and a Concern is continued to Amend things that has happened amiss.

By Epistle from Salem they Informe that friends Testimony is well Rec^d but as to Worship not so well as could be Desired.

By Epistle from Sandwich Informe that there Meeting have been favoured with y^e good presence of God. and things in y^e Generall have been pretty well Carried on.

The Certificate from y^e 2^d Day Morning meeting of London & from y^e Quarterly Meeting of Friends at —

all Parts. Cragg in Cumberland. Signifying their Unity with our friends Dorcas Smith in his Visiting them was Red to Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Overseers being Called upon give y following Ans. that in y main things have been very well and they have a generall Satisfaction & Edification.

This Meeting doth Appoint Thomas Rodman and Jacob Mott to draw Epistles to y Several Quarterly Meetings Recommending from this what may be Readfull and Signed on behalf of y Same.

This Meeting is Adjourned to next Yearly at the Usuall time and place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring friends held at Newport y 14th 4Mo 1723.

Some time being Spent in Worship fd proceed to their Business, & Call over y Several Quarterly Meeting whose Representatives are Vizt

For Rhoad Island, Jacob Mott, Wm Wanton & Wm Anthony p sent.

Salem, None present p Appointment.

Sandwich, None present p Appointment.

By Epistle from Rhoad Island they informe their Meetings have been duly kept, and y Affairs thereof have been Managed in a good degree of Love and Unity.

This Meeting is Adjourned to y 17. Instant at the 8th Hour in y Morning.

The Meeting Mett y 17th Instant, and after Some time Spent in Worship proceed to their business.

By Epistle from Sandwich, they Informe that things Relateing to Worship & Testamony are prety well Amongst them, but have had no Ans. from Salem.

The Overseers being called upon give y following Ans. that y preceeding Yearly Meeting in y generall was, very well Carried on.

This Meeting doth Appoint to draw Epistles to y Several Quarterly Meetings Recommending what may be Readfull from this. Thomas Rodman Jacob Mott,

and William Anthony and Signed in behalf of ye Same.

This Meeting is Adjourned to next Yearly at ye usual time and place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring friends held at Newporty^d 12^th Day of ye 4 Mo=1724.

After Some time Spent in Worship and Several Needfull cautions given friends proceed to their Business and Call over ye Severall Quarterly Meetings whose Representatives are Viz^t.

For Rhoad Island Jacob Mott & Wm Anthony p^r Rout.

Salem, Sam^a Colling p^r Rout.

Sandwich & Situate Nic. Wing p^r Rout.

Not having time to Inter further in ye Business this meeting is Adjorned to ye 15^th Instant ye 8 Hour in the Morning.

The Meeting being met ye 15. according to Adjournment proceed to their Business.

The Certificate of our well Esteemed friend Thomas Lightfoot from ye Mo^ly Meeting where he belongs, also a Certificate from ye Yearly Meeting of Ministr^s held in Pensilvania ye 16 1 Mo=1723/4 Signifying their Unity with his Visiting friends in these parts, were Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The Certificate of our well Esteemed friend Benjamin Kn^t from ye Mo^ly Meeting held at Settle in Yorkshire Dated ye 5^th 10 Mo=1722. also a Certificate from ye Yearly Meeting of Ministr^s held at ye City of York in great Brittain 26 10 Mo=1722. Signifying their Unity with his Visiting in America, were Red to ye Satisfaction of this Meeting.

By Epistle from Rhoad Island we are Informed their meetings have been duly kept, and ye Affairs there of managed in a good degree of Love & Unity.

By Epistle from Salem we are Informed friend Testamony's are well Received.

By Epistle from Sandwich we are Informed that things are truly well amongst them Relating to Worship and

and Testamony, and these Meetings have been Carried on in good Ord^r and y^e good presence of G-d hath been in some good degree amongst them.

The ffriends being called upon give y^e following Answ^r that y^e preceading Meetings in y^e generall hath been well and to good Sattisfaction.

The ffriends Apointed to draw Epistles to y^e Severall Quarterly Meetings Recomending what may be Needfull from this Meeting are Thomas Rodman, Jacob Mott Jn^o Tucker Joseph Smith & William Anthony, and Signe it in behalfe of the Same.

Some time being Spent in Worship & Severall Cautions given, no further buisnes presenting, this Meeting is Adjourned to next Yeare at y^e Usuall time and place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring ffriends held att Newport on Rhoad Island y^e 11 4^m 1725 — —

After Some time Spent in Worship and Severall Cautions given ffriends Proceed to their buisness and call upon y^e Several Quaterly Meetings Where Representatives are viz — — — — — — —

For Rhoad Island Thomas Rodman Jacob Mott Joseph Smith & William Anthony present —

For Salom Robart Peirly Present —

For Sandwich John Wing present —

By Epistle from Road Island we are Informed their Meetings have been duly Kept and the affairs Thereof Maneged in love & Unity — — — —

By Epistle from Sandwich we are Informed things has been prety well with them at Sandwich both as to W^rship and Testamony but have had no ast from Situate —

The Certificates of our well Esteemed ffriends John Salkill and Jacob Howel from y^e monthly Meeting held att Providence in Chester County y^e 8^br 1725 and from y^e Quaterly Meeting of Minist^rs held at Concord in Ye County y^e 8 3^mo 1726 Signifying their Unity with their Testomony and Giveing us a Visit was Red to y^e Satisfaction of this meeting —

The ffriends Appointed to Draw Epistles to ye Seueral Quaterly Meetings of Ministers are Jacob Mott & William Anthony Recoinending what may be need full from this meeting This meeting is Adiourned to ye 14th Current at ye 8th hours in the morning ——— ———

This meeting being mett According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship ffriends proceed to their Business the Ouerseers being called upon gine the following Acct Viz: That ye Carings of ye Preceding Yearly Meeting in ye main was well and to General Satisfaction

The ffriends Appointed presented an Epistle to ye Seueral Quaterly Meetings of Ministers which was Red and Approued and Signed at this Meeting by Jacob Mott John Tucker William Anthony John Wanton Jo Smith Jo Edmonds Jno Wing William Barker Nathaniel Sasbury and Samuel Aldrich

No farther Business presenting This meeting is Ajourned to ye Next Year at ye Vsuall time & place ——— ———

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministring ffriends held att Newport on Rhoad Island ye 10th 4m 1726 ——— ———

After Some time Spent in Worships and Seueral Cautions giuen ffriends proceed to their Business and Call upon the Seueral Quaterly Meetings Whose Representatiues are Viz: ——— ———

ffor Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting Jacob Mott John Tucker & William Anthony present ——— ———

ffor Sandwich and Situate John Wing present ———

ffor Salem Quaterly Meeting none present by Appointment ———

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting we are informed that their Meetings have been Duly Attended & ye Affairs thereof Inquiered into and Managed in a great Deal of Love & Unity to ye Satisfaction of ye faithfull ———

By Epistle from Salem Quaterly Meeting we are Informed That ffrinds Live in Love and they have Unity With ffrinds Testemonies ———————

The Certificates of Our well Esteemd ffrind Abigell Bowles from y Province Meeting for Munster held at Cork y 21 4mo 1724 also from y National half Years Meeting of Elders & Ministers held in Dublin y 4 3mo 1725 Signifying Their Unity with her Visiting ffrinds in y work of the Ministry was Red to y Satisfaction of this Meeting

The Certificate of Our well Esteemd ffrind Margerate Preston from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia y 29 3mo 1726 Signifying their Unity in Visiting ffrinds in these parts in the work of the Ministry was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting ———————

The Certificate of Our well Esteemd ffrind Grace Loyd from y Monthly Meeting of Chester for Chester County y 25 2mo 1726 Signifying Their Unity With her bearing Our B ffrind Abigel Bowles Company in Visiting of us, was Red to y Satisfaction of this Meeting ———

The Certificate of Our well Esteemed ffrind Samuel Preston from y Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia y 29 3mo 1726 Signifying Their Unity With his Bearing his wife Company in her Visiting of ffrinds was Red to y Satisfaction of this Meeting ———————

This Meeting Doth Appoint to Draw Epistles to y Several Quaterly Meetings Signifying what may be Needfull from This Meeting, Jacob Mott William Anthony & Jo Smith Who are Desired to have them Redy in Order to be Signed next Second Day Morning ———————

This Meeting is Ajorned to y 13 Current att y 8 hour in the Morning ———————

The Meeting being Mett According to Ajornment the 13 Instant —
After Some Time Spent in Worship ffrinds proceed to their Business
By Epistle from Sandwich Quaterly Meeting we are Informed that Things have been pretty well among them both as to Worship and Testamony and the Affairs of The Meeting have been peaceably and Carried on in Good Degree of Love & Unity ———————

The Overseers being Called upon gives the following acct That the Carrying on of ye Preceding Yearly Meeting in ye General was Very well —

The Friends Appointed not presenting Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers they are Still Continued to perform That Service by them to Desire ye Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers to be Carefull for ye Future to Appoint and Send Suitable Representatives to Attend this Meeting The Friends Appointed to Draw ye Epistles are Desired to Signe them in the Behalf of this Meeting: —

This Meeting is Ajorned to ye Next Year att ye Usuall Time & place.

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held att Newport on Rhoad Island this 9th 4mo 1724. —

After Some time Spent in Worship Friends proceed to their Business and Call upon the Several Quaterly Meetings whose Representatives are for Rhoad Island Jacob Mott Jr.o Tucker Jo Smith and William Anthony Present. —

For Sandwich & Situate Jn.o Wing present —

For Salem None present to Apointment —

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting of Ministers we are Informed their Meetings have been Dyly kept and their Affairs have been Managed in a Good Degree of Love & Unity to a General Satisfaction —

By Epistle from Sandwich Quaterly Meeting of Ministers we are Informed that Things are prety well amongst them both as to Worship & Testomony but they have No acct from Situate —

By Epistle from Salem Quaterly Meeting of Ministers we are Informed that Affairs of their Meetings was Maneged in a Good Degree of ye Love of God Notwithstanding they have been Exercised with unruly Spirits —

The Certificate of our Well Esteemd Friend William Piggott from y Monthly Meeting of Our Friends held at Ratliff the 2th of 1m 1727/6 also from y Day Morning Meeting held in London y 21 1m 1727/6 Signifying their Unity in his Visiting Friends in America in the work of y Ministry was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

The Certificate of our Well Esteemd Friend James Lord from y Monthly Meeting of Our Friends held at Haddenfield in Glaster County in y West Division of y Province of New Jersey y 10 2m 1727 also from y Meeting of Ministers & Elders held att Salem y 1m 1727 Signifying their Unity With his Visiting Friends in There parts in the Work of the Ministry was Red to y Satisfaction of this Meeting

The Certificate of our Well Esteemd Friend Obadiah Lawrance from y Yearly of our Friends held at Flushing on Long Island y 27 3m 1727 Signifying there Unity in his going on a Visite in Company with Our Friends William Piggott & James Lord was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

This Meeting is Ajourned to y 12th Covenant at y 8 hour in the Morning

The Meeting being Mett According to Agreement after Some Time Spent in Worship & Several Cautions given to y Satisfaction of this Meeting Friends proceed to their Business and y Overseers being Called upon Give the following Acct that y Management and Carrying on of the preceding Yearly Meeting was Wately Concidered and it is Concluded it hath been Generally pretty well and to Good Satisfaction

This Meeting Doth Appoint to Draw Epistles to y Several Quately Meetings of Ministers Giveing an Acct of y Needful Advice and proceedings thereof Jacob Mott Jo Smith John Wanton William Anthony and John Tucker and Sign it in behalf of y Same No further Business presenting This Meeting is Ajourned to Next Year att the Usual Time and place

Att a Yeasly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
att Newport on Rhoad Island ye 14th Day of 9th Mo 1728—

After Some time Spent in Worship and Several
Cautions Given Friends proceed to their Buisness and Call
over the Severall Quately Meetings whose Representatives
are Viz.t— — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

for Rhoad Island Jacob Mott John Wanton
and Thomas Richardson present — — — — —

Salem greatterly Meeting Zacheus Collins present

Sittuat and Sandwich None present by Appointm.t
nor no Epistle — —

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quately Meeting
They Inform their Meetings has Duly kept and the affairs
thereof Managed in Love & Unity — — — — —

The Certificate of Our well Esteemed Friend Rowland
Wilson from ye Monthly of Friends held att Great Stickland
in Westmoreland ye 5th 2m 1727 also from ye Quately Meet-
ing held att Kendle ye 5th 3m 1727 and from ye 2 Day morning
held att London ye 3m 1727 Signifying their Unity with
Visiting Friends in the Work of ye Ministry in America
was Red to ye Satisfaction of this Meeting. — —

The Certificate of Our Well Esteemed Friend Joseph
Taylor from ye Monthly Meeting of Friends held att Raby ye
7th 1mo 1726/7 also from ye Quately Meeting held at Durham ye 28th
of ye 1mo 1727 — and from ye 2 Day Morning Meeting of Ministers
held ye 29th 3mo 1727 at London — Signifying their Unity with his
Visiting Friends in ye Work of the Ministry was Red to ye
The Satisfaction of this Meeting — — — — —

The Certificate of Our Well Esteemed Friend Susanah Morris
from the Monthly Meeting held att Abington in the County of
Philidalphia ye 6 12m 1727/8

The Certificate of Our Well Esteemed Friend Mary Stott
from ye Monthly Meeting held att Gwinedd in the County

Quarty of Philadelphia y 27 y 12mo 1727/8 ——
Also their Certificats from y Generall Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Philidelphia y 16th 1mo 1727/8 Signifying their Unity with their Intended Visite was Read to y Satisfaction of this Meeting ——

This Meeting is Ajourned to y 17th Instent at y 8 hours in the Morning ——

The Meeting being mett According to Ajournment Friends proced to their Busines ——

By Epistle from Salem Quaterly Meeting they Inform y Lord was pleased in a Wonderfull maner to Appear with his Devine presence, and their Business was manaed in Love and peace ——

Whereas Caleb Bufum Jr hath Appeared in publick to y Greif and Burthen of Friends in y Compass of Salem Quterly Meeting Who have Laboured with him from time to time With Abundance of Love and Tenderness Notwithstanding he hath Still Continued to Appear therefore they have Denyed his Testamony from which he hath Reserd himself to the Judgment of this Meeting, And this Meeting haveing the perusell of their proceedings with him and Also knowing of his Unstable Conversation Therefore upon Due Consideration Doth Confirm the Judgment of Salem Monthly Meeting and that he Abide y Judgment of y Meeting of Salem According To his one promise in Wrighting Under his hand ——

The Overseers being Called upon give the following Acct That the preceeding Yearly Meetings were Carried on in The Main well and to Satisfaction ——

This Meeting Doth Appoint to Draw Epistles to y Severa Quaterly Meetings of Ministers Giveing an Acct of y Needfull proceedings of this Meeting John Wanton William Anthony Jacob Mott and they to Sign it in y behalf of this Meeting

This Meeting is Ajornd to y Next Year at the Usuall time and place ——

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att Newport ye 13 Day 4th mo 1729 — — — — — — —

Ffriends proceed to their Buisness and Call upon the Severall Quaterly Meetings Whose Representitues are Viz^t — — — —

ffor Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting Jacob Mott John Wanton William Anthony & Thomas Leach — Present — — — —

for Salem Quaterly Meeting none present by Appointment nor no Acct — — — —

ffor Sandwich and Situate Quaterly Meeting none present by Appointment nor no Acct — — — — — —

This Meeting is Ajorned to ye 16th Current at 9^c^ a hour in the Morning. — — — — — — —

The Meeting Mett According to Ajornment after Some time Spent in Worship ffriends proceed to their Buisness — — —

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting They Inform their Meetings Have been Duly Kept and the Affairs thereof Managed in Love and Unity — — —

It being proposed by Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting Whether it may Not be Expedient that ye Overseers Give an Acct how the Ministers and Elders attend their perticuler Meetings of Worship and in Season and Whether they live in Love and Unity Which hath been Duly Concidered and Approved and Ordered to be Recomended to ye Quaterly Meetings and from thence to Every perticular Meetings Due Observation —

The Overseers being Called Upon Give an Acct that ye Carrying on of ye preceeding Yearly Meetings hath been Carried on in the main Piety well — — — — — — —

This Meeting Doth Appoint to Draw Epistles to ye Severall Quaterly Meetings of Ministers Recomending Present Need full from This Meeting our ffriend Jacob Mott Jn^o^ Wanton John Tucker and Thomas Leach Who are Desired to Signe ye Same in their Behalf

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att Newport on Rhoad Island y 18 Day 4mo 1730 — — —

After Some time Spent in Worship Frinds proceed to their Buisness and Call upon y Severall Quaterly Meetings Whos Representitives are Viz — — — — — — —

Rhoad Island none present by Appointment —

Sandwich and Situate none present —

Salem Jn° Kinney present — — — — —

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting we are Informed their Meetings have been Duly kept and the Affairs there of Managed in Love and Unity — — —

By Epistle from Salem Quaterly Meeting they in form Have Recived an Act from Dover that y Testamony of Frinds are Well Recived But No Act from Salem and Hampton —

This Meeting is Ajorned to 18th Instant at 8 in y Morning

The Meeting Met Accordg to Ajornment after Some Time Spent in Worship and Severall Cautions Given Frinds proceed to their Buisness — — — —

The Certificate of our well Esteemd Frind John Salcel from y Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Concord in The County of Chester in Penselvania y° 19 Day 3mo 1730 — Signifying their Unity in Visiting Frinds in these parts was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

The Certificate of our well Esteemd Frind Joshua Lord from Hadderfield the 11 3mo 1730 Signifying their Unity in Visiting Frinds in These parts was Red to the Satisfaction of This Meeting — — —

It is Unanimasly Concluded that for the time to Come the Frinds appointed and formely Called Overseers Shall for time to Come be Called Elders — — — — — — — — —

The Elders make Report the preceeding Meetings were Carried on in the Generall to Edification and prety Good Satisfaction — — — — — — — — — —

This Meeting Doth Appoint to Draw Epistls to the Severall Quately Meetings of Ministers Signifying the Needfull proceedings here of our Frind John Wanton and Thomas Leach and Signe it on y behalf of the Same — — —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport y 11th Day of y 4th 1735 — — — — — —

After Some time Spent in Worship and Severall Cautions Given to the Satisfaction of this Meeting Frinds proceed to their Business and Call upon the Severall Quately Meetings Representitives are Vizt — — — — — —

For Rhoad Island Quately Meeting William Anthony John Tucker John Casey Thomas Richardson Giles Slocum Thomas Leach and Jo Wanton present — — — — —

For Salem Quately Meeting none present by Appointment

For Sandwich Quately Meeting none present by Appointment

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quately Meeting of Ministers they Inform they Recived our Last Yearly Epistle and the Good Advice therein Contained hath been Observed and their Meetings have been Duly Kept and the Affaires thereof Mannaged in Love and Unity — — — — — — — —

The Certificate of our well Esteemd Frind Ruth Jones from the Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Concord in the County of Chester in the Province of Pensylvania y 6 19th 1730 - Signifying their Unity in Visiting Frinds in these parts Was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting — — —

The Certificate of Our Well Esteemed Frind Henry Franklin from y Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Great Britin in the Citty of Yourk y 24th 4mo 1730 — — Signifying their Unity in his Visiting Frinds in America Was Red to the Satisfaction of this Meeting —

This Meeting Ajourned to Next 1st Day Morning att y 8 hour
The Meeting Met According to Ajournment and After
Some time Spent in Worship and Several Cautions Given
Friends proceed to their Business ———————

The Elders being Called Upon Give an Acct how the
preceeding Meetings were Carred on Vizt ———

This Meeting Doth Appoint and Desire Our Frends Jno
Tucker Thomas Richardson John Casey & Thomas Leach
To Draw Epistles to ye Several Quaterly Meetings Giving
or Recommending the Needfull proceedings of this Meeting
and Sign them in Behalf of this Meeting ———

It is Unanimisly Agreed That the Elders Meet
att y 7 hours on y 1st Day in the Morning in the time
of the Yearly Meeting that Thereby y Meeting of
Ministers may not be Detained Unsasonably Therefore
Frends are Desired to attend it ———

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
att Newport on Rhoad Island y 9th 4m 1732 —
After Som time Spent in Worship Frinds proceed
To Their Business and Call upon y Several Quaterly
Meeting Whose Representatives are Vizt
For Rhoad Island John Wanton William Baker Samuel
Aldrich and Thomas Leach present ———————
For Salem Lidea Norting and Mary Dow present ——
Sandwich None present by Appointment —
By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting we
are Informed Our Last Yearly Epistle was Red to
Satisfaction and the Good Advice therein hath been
Recommended and their Meeting have been Duly kept
and the Affairs Thereof Managed in Love. —
By Epistle from Sandwich Quaterly Meeting we are
Informed their Meetings of Worship was Carred on

To pretty Generall Sattisfaction and ye Lord presence hath been in Some Good Degree Amongst Them. — — —

The Certificate of our well Esteemed Frind John Richardson from the Meetings of Ministers and Elders held in the City of York in Old England ye 24th 1mo 1730/1 also from ye Bay Morning Meeting held in London ye 21st 4mo 1731 Signifying Their Unity with him and his Visiting frinds in ye Work of the Ministry in These American parts was Red to the Sattisfaction of this Meeting. — —

This Meeting is Ajorned to Next 2d Day at ye 8th hour in the Morning — — —

This Meeting being Mett According to Ajornment after Some time being Spent in Worship and Severall Nesesary Cautions Given frinds proceed to their Business

By Epistle from Salem Quaterly Meeting of Ministrs and Elders we are Informed frinds Publick Testamonies are in a Generall way well Recived — —

The Elders being Called Upon Give the following Acct Viz: That ye Carrying on the Preceeding Yearly Meeting Deliberally was Considered and Accordingly Concluded hath been Generally well and to Generall Satisfaction —

This Meeting Doth Appoint and Desire Our Frind John Wanton John Tucker William Anthony John Carey and Thomas Leach to Draw Epistls to ye Severall Quaterly Meetings Recommending the Need full and Sign it In the Behalf of this Meeting — — —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island ye 8 of ye 11th 1733 — —

After Some time of Worship in Which Severall Good and Seasonable Cautions was Given Tending to the Edification of the Church Frinds proceed to Business —

A Certificate of Our Esteemed Friend Mongo Ryly from the Monthly Meeting of Friends in Edonderry in Ireland the 17th 3mo 1732 Also A Certificate of Our Esteemed Friend Samuel Strauen from the Monthly Meeting of Lamstown in the County of Waxford In Ireland were both Read and were to the Satisfaction of this Meeting. — — — — —

This Meeting is Ajorned unto Next 2d Day att 8 in the Morning being the 11th Instant. — — — — — — — —

The Meeting Mett According to Ajornment and after Some time of Worship and Seuerall Seasnable Cautions proced to Buisnes. — — — — — — — — — —

The Seuerall Quaterly Meetings being Called Upon — Their Representatiues are Vizt — — — — — — —

for Rhoad Island John Casey and William Anthony Present — — — —

for Salem Jonathan Boyce present — — — —

for Sandwich Humphry Wady present — — — —

By Epistle from the Quaterly Meeting of Rhead Island They Inform that Their Meeting have all Duly Attended and the Affair Thereof hath been Managed in a Degree of Love and Unity That for the Most part the Ministry hath been pretty well that Ministers and Elders Dell in Love and Attend Meetings Seasonably

By Epistle from Salem They Inform That they had Recived pretty Good Acct from their Seuerall Monthly Meetings of the Testimony Delivered Among Them but that John Collens Continues to be Troublesom To Friends — — — — — — — — — — —

By From Sandwich Quaterly Meeting they Give a Good Acct of that Meeting but Say Nothing of the Acct they had Recived from the Elders att Their other Meetings They are Therefore Desired to be More Carefull Therein for the future — — — — — — — — — — —

The Elders being Called Upon for an Acct of the preceeding —

Proceeding Meetings Gives the following Acct that
According to their Understanding it has been Very well
in the Main and Many Testimonys were in the Auth
rity of truth Tending to the Edification of Gods
heritage and that Some care was Taken to Give Caution
in Such Matter as were Not so well — — — — — —

A Certificate of Our Esteemd Frind Alce Alderson
from the Monthly Meeting of Sedbergh held att Brigflat
in Yorkshire in Old England y^e 25^th of 2^nd^ mo 1732 and also
A Quaterly Meeting held by Adjournment at Kendle
for the County of Westmorland the 5^th 3^rd^ mo 1732 —
were Read in the former part of this Meeting and
are to Satisfaction — — — — — — — — — — —

A Certificate of Our Esteemed Frind Margaret
Copland from the Monthly Meeting att Kendle the
5^th 3^rd^ mo 1733 — also from a Quaterly held att the Same
place and time were Read to the Satisfaction of
Frinds — — — — — — — — — — —

John Wanton and John Casey are desired to
Draw Epistles from this Meeting to the Several
Quaterly Meetings and Signe the in behalf of this
Meeting

At a Yearly Meeting Summoned and held at Newport on Rhoad Island
for New England y^e 14^th 4^th mo 1734 — — — — — — — —

After Some time Spent In Worship and Several Seasnable
Testimonys Delivered Frinds proceed to their Business and
Call on the Several Quaterly Meetings Whose Representives
are Viz^t — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

For Rhoad Island William Anthony Nicholas Davis
Clark Rodman and John Casey present — — —

for Sandwich none present by Appointment — —

for Salem Jonathan Boyce present — — — — —

By Epistle from Salem they Inform that the Acct from
their Several Monthly Meeting is that Testimonys
Delivered

Delivered Amongst them has been well Recived — —

This Meeting is Ajorned to y^e Next Second Day att 8^th in the Morning — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

The Meeting being Met According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship and Several Suitable Cautions Given Friends proceed to Busines — — — — —

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform that the publick Testimony Delivered amongst them for the Year past has been to General Satisfaction. — — — — — — —

The Elders being Called Upon to Give in Ackt of y^e preceeding Yearly Meeting Signifyed that in the main it has been prety well and Where there is Need of Caution care is taken that it may be Given — — — — — — — —

Clark Rodman and John Casey are Desired to Draw Epistls from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings and Sign them In behalf of This Meeting —

Thomas Leach being Deseased John Casey is Appointed Clark of this Meeting — — — — — —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att on Rhoad Island for New England y^e 13^th 4^mo 1735 — —

After Some time Spent in Worship and Several Seasonable Cautions Given Friends proceed to Call on the Severall Quaterly Meetings Whose Representitives are as followeth

For Rhoad Island Clark Rodman and John Casey present. — — —

For Salem Samuel Osborn and Samuel Pope present

For Sandwich Ebenezer Wing present. — — —

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Quaterly Meeting they Inform that there Meeting Sence last Year have been Kept for the Most part in a Degree of love and the

Elders

Elders in A general way Given in Comfortable Acct of Matters Under their Care. —

By Epistle from Salem they Inform that they Reciv'd Good Accompts of the Testimony of Publick Friends from their Several Monthly Meeting. —

This Meeting is Ajourn'd to 3d 18th Currant att 8 in the Morning.

The Meeting being Mett According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundry Suitable Cautions Given Friends proceed to Business. —

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform that they have Rec'd from three Monthly Meetings Who Inform Testimonys Among them for the Year past has been to Good Satisfaction as far as they Know. —

A Certificate of well Esteemd Friend Joseph Gill from the National Meeting of Ministers and Elders held In Dublin the 10th of 3rd 1734 was Read to the Satisfaction of this Meeting

The Elders being Called Upon Give an Acct that the preceeding Yearly Meeting has been in the Main Carried on to Good Satisfation. —

This Meeting is Ajourn'd to the Next Year att the Usual time and place. —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held At Newport 3d 11th 4m 1736 —
After Some time Spent in Worship Friends proceed to Call on the Representatives of Each quaterly Meeting Which are as foloeth for Rhoad Island Samuel Aldrich and Clark Rodmen present — for

for Salom Samuel Pope and Zacheus Collens pr
for Sandwich None present. ——
This Meeting Ajond to Second Day the 14th
Instent at Eight in the Morning.
This Meeting being Mett by Ajornment Recived
the Seuesal Acct from Road Island Salem and
Sandwich Quaterly Meetings they Inform that
Their Meetings Since Last Year have been kept
in A Degree of love and the Elders in A General
Way Given in Comfortable Acct of Matters Under
their Care. —
The Elders being Cald Upon Give an Acct that
the Preceeding Yearly Meeting has been in the
Main prety Well and to Edification. —
This Meeting Doth Apoint the Meeting of
Ministers to begin at the Eight hour on Six Day
Morning of the Yearly Meeting. And the Elders
are Desired to Meet at the Seventh hour Before
that they May have time to Attend the Meeting
of Ministers in Season.
Clark Rodman and John Casey are Desird
to Draw Epistles to the Seueral Quaterly
Meetings and Signe them In Behalf of
This Meeting. —
This Meeting Is Ajornd to Next Year
at the Same Place as Usal. ——

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders
held at Newport y^e 10^th 1^m 1734. -
After some time Spent in Worship and Several Good
Cautions Friends Proceed to Call on the Representitives
of Each Quaterly Meeting Which are as Followeth
for Rhoad Island John Tucker and John Casey,
for Sandwich None present by Apointment
for Saloam Beniamin Baguel Present ———

By Epistle from Rhoad Island Sandwich and
Saloam Quaterly Meetings they Inform that their
Meetings Sence the Last Year have been Kept in a
Degree of Love and the Elders have in a General
Way Given in Comfortable Acc^ts of Matters Under
their Care
A Certificate of Our Esteemed Friend John Storther
Gill from the Quaterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders
held at Yourk in Great Brittain y^e 24^th 1^m^o 1735/6 Also
A Certificate from y^e the Morning Meeting of Ministers
in London y^e 29^th 3^m 1736 Was Read to Satisfaction
of this Meeting, This Meeting is Ajorned till y^e 13^th of
This Instant att Eight in the Morning -
The Meeting being Met by Ajornment after Some Good
Cautions and Advice Given Friends Proceed to their Busi-
ness the Elders being Called Upon Give y^e following Acct
of y^e Preceeding Yearly that in Several Respects it hath
been pretty Well and to Good Satisfaction Jn^o Tucker
John Casey Clark Rodman are Desired To Draw Epistle

To

To the Seueral Quaterly Meetings as Vseal ——
This Meeting is Ajornd to Next Year at the Same time and place. ——

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport ye 9th 4th 1738 After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundre Good Cautions Given Frinds Proceed to Call on the Representatiues of Each Quaterly Meeting Which are as followeth — for Rhoad Island John Tucker and John Casey Present for Sandwich & Situate None present by Appointment for Salom Samuel Pope & Zachous Collins Present By Epistle from Rhoad Island and Salom Quaterly Meetings they Inform they haue had Comfortable Accounts in the Main from the Elders of Matters Under their Care This Meeting is Ajornd to the 12th of this Instant at Eight in the Morning ——

The Meeting being Met by Ajournment After Sundre Good Cautions Given Proceed to Buisnes the Elders being Cald Upon Give in Acct of the Preceding Yearly Meeting that it has been in the Main to Good Satisfaction ——

A few Lines being Presented by the Elders by Way of Advice from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers in in London to the Seueral Counties by Way of Caution to Ministers Was Red in this Meeting and Ordered to Go Down in the Seueral Epistls to the Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders ——

Clark Rodman John Easton and John Casey are Desired to Draw Epistls to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings Recommending the Needfull As Vseal this Meeting is Ajornd tel Next Year att the Vseal time and place ——

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport y 8th in 1739 — — — — — —
After Some time Spent in Worship and and Seueral Good Cautions Given on the Seueral Quaterly Meetings being Called upon Whose Representitives are as followeth — — — —
For Rhode Island John Tucker & Wm Anthony
for Sandwich Humphray Wady — —
For Salom Benjamin Bagnal & Teecheus Collins
Present — — — — — — — — — — —
The Epistle of the Quaterly Meeting of Rhode Island Sandwich and Salom was Red Which Informs that they have had Good Ace in the Main Concerning the Ministry Seues Last Year — — — — — — — — —
The Certificate of our Esteemed ffriend Michael Lightfoot from y Quaterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Concord in Chester in Pensylvania —
Likewise y Certificate of Our Esteemed ffriend John Hunt from the Second Days Morning Meeting of Ministers in London the 29th 6mo 1738 was Read to Satisfaction of this Meeting — —
This Meeting is Ajourned to y 11th of this Instant at Eight in y Morning — — — — —
The Meeting being met by Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship and Sundry Good Cautions Given ffriends Proceed to Business the Elders being Called upon Give the following Ace of y Proceeding Yearly Meeting that in the main well and to Rely General Satisfaction — John Easton & John Corey are Apointed to Draw Epistle to y Seueral Quaterly Meetings Recomending what is Needfull as Usuall — This Meeting is Ajourned till Next Year at y Usual Time and Place — — — — —

1740 At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport ye 13th 4mo 1740 —

After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundre Good Cautions Given the Seueral Quaterly-Meeting Being Cald Upon the Representatiues are as followeth — — —

for Rhode Island John Tucker Samuel Aldrich & John Easton Present — —

for Salom Samuel Osborn — — —

The Meeting is Ajourned to ye 16th off this Instant at Eight in the Morning — — —

The Meeting Being Met By Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundre Good Cautions Given Friends Proceed to Business Humphru Hady Apeard for Sandwich Meeting — — — —

By Epistle from Rhode Island Salom and Sandwich Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders the Inform that for the Mort Part they have had Good Ac Brought up to their Meetings Sine Last Yeat —

The Elders Being Cald on Give Ac that the Preceeding Yeasly Meeting hath Considerable Part of it Ben to Satisfaction and Where ther Apreheded Otherwise Care is Taken in Order for Amendment — — —

The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistle to ye Seuer Quaterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders Recomending the Needful to be Done are Thomas Richardson Clark Rodman & John Carey, This Meeting is Ajourned To Next Yeas be ye Usual Time & Place —

Eight in the Morning being y^e 11^th Instant
The Meeting being Met by Ajornment the
the Elders ware Cald on who Give the following
Viz^t that the Meeting the Say Part was to
Satisfaction — — — — — — — —
This Meeting is Ajornd tell to Morrow y^e 12
Instant at Eight in the Morning — — — —
The Meeting Met According to Ajornment
the Elders ware Cald on who Give the follo
ing Act that the Meetings the Say Part
was for the Grater Part to Satisfaction and
where it was Otherwise they have Taken
Care and Waisd in the Afare — — — —
This Meeting is Ajornd tell tomorrow 13
Instant at Eight in the Morning — — —

The Meeting being Met by Ajornment the
Elders being Cald on Give the following
Act that the Meetings the Say Part
With the Other Meetings throughout the
Yearly Meeting has been to General Satis
faction and Comfort Being Larg and
Attended with Many People them of Other
Societies as well as Our one who Behaved
with Grate Decencie and Quietness which
is Matter of Joye to us in Our Concludeing
This Meeting — —

Clark Rodman Christofer Townsend and
John Carey are Apointed to Draw Epistles
from this Meeting to the Seueral Quater
ly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recom
mending things Needful as Usal — —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
8 att Newport ye 8th 4m 1744

After Some time Spent in Worship and
Suitable Good Cautions Given the Several Quaterly
Meeting Were Called on Whose Representatives
are as followeth

for Rhode Island William Anthony and
Thomas Rodman Present

for Salem Samuel Pope and Zacheus Collins

for Sandwich None Present

John Tucker Thomas Richardson Benjamin Smith
Samuel Pope and Zachus Collins are Appointed
to Make Return of the Caring on of the folow-
ing Yearly Meeting to the Several Ajournments
as they find things are

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform
that Ministry hath Been in the Main to
Satisfaction Ministers and Elders Dwell in Love
and Attend Meetings Seasonably for the most
Part

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform Minis-
ters and Elders Dwell to Gether in Unity and are
Carefull to Discharg the Trust that is Repose in them

By Epistle from Salem they Inform that Publick
Testamonies has been Well Received and Good Service
This Meeting is Ajourd till to Morrow at Eight
in the Morning

9 The Meeting Being Met According to Ajournment
After Some time Spent in Worship and Suitable
Good Cautions Given the Elders were Called on

Who Give the folowing Account that the two Days that are Past of the Yearly Meeting things have been in the Generel Well and to Satisfaction this Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow at Eight in the Morning

The Meeting being Met by Ajournment After Some Time Spent in Worship and Sundre Good Cautions Given the Elders Give the following Account of the Meetings this Day Past that in the Generel they Were Well

This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow at Eight in the Morning

The Meeting being Met According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship and Suitable Advice Given The Elders Give in the following Account of the Meetings the Day Past was in the Main Very Well and to Generel Satisfaction and Edfication Clark Rodman Christofer Townsend and John Casey are Appointed to Draw Epistls to the Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recomending things that are Needfull as Usal

At A Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport y^e 11^th mo 1715

After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundre Good Cautions Given the Several Quaterly Meetings Were Cald on Whose Representitives are as followeth

For Rhode Island William Anthony Thomas Richardson Christofer Townsend and John Casey

For Salom Eljah Collins Present

For Sandwich None Present

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform that Their

Their Meetings have Been Duly kept and the Accounts Brought in have for the Most Part Signified that Ministers and Elders live in love and Attend Meetings Seasonably, They Also Inform that They Recived A few lines from the Ministers Meeting held att Dartmouth in the 8m Part Signifying their Concern for the Making Choice of Women as Elders to take the Oversite of Meetings With the Men they having had it Under their Consideration Thought it Most Proper to Refer it to this Meeting

Soy Epistle from Salem they Inform they have Recived Accounts from Some Elders that Ministers friends Testimonies are of Good Service and Ministers and Elders live in Love but as Some Elders Neglected Sending an Account they have Advised to be more Carefull for the future, John Tucker Thomas Richardson Zacheus Collins Elijah Collins & Benjamin Smith are Apointed to take the Care of the following Meetings and Make Report to the Several Ajournments from Day to Day, this This Meeting is Ajornd till to Morrow Morning at the Eight hour - - - - - - - - - - - -

13 The Meeting being being met According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders being Call on Give the following Account that the two Preceding Meetings Matters have in the General been Pretty Well, This Meeting haveing had the Matter of Chuseing Women Elders with the Men Under their Consideration Do find it Would be a New Practis Conclude to Lett it Rest till they Are more Sensable of the Service of it

This

This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow att Eight in the Morning

16 This Meeting being Mett According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders being Cald on Give the following Account of the Yester Days Meetings that it Was Prety Well in the main and have Taken Case to Caution Where they Apprehended it Expedient the Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning at the Eight hour

17 This Meeting mett According to Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders being Cald on Give the following Acct that in their Understanding the Caring on of Yesterday Meetings in the Main things ware Prety Well Never the Less they Thought it Expediant to Give Caution to Perticulers

The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Severall Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending Things Needfull as Usal are Clark Rodman and John Casey

At A yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att Newport y^e 13^th 4^th^ 1746

After Some time Spent in Worship the Severall Quar^ly Meeting Ware Cald on Whose Representitives are as followeth for Rhode Island Clark Rodman and John Casey for Salom Zaccheus Collins Stephen Sawer and Elijah Collins for Sandwich Nicholas Davis Preson By Epistls from Rhode Island Salom and Sandwich they inform that the Acc^t from time to time have been in the main to Satisfaction

John Tucker Thomas Richardson Zaccheus Collins Benjamin Smith

Smith Giles Nocumb and James Barker are Apointed to Take the Care of the following Meetings for Worship and make Return to the Seueral Ajournments from Day to Day throughout the Yearly Meeting this Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow morning att the Eight hour / — — —

11 The Meeting being met by Ajornment After some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Cald on who Gave Ace that the Meeting the Day Past was Pretty Well this meeting is Ajond till to morrow morning past 8 Eight hour —

12 The Meeting being Met by Ajornment After Some time spent in worship the Elders being Cald on Gave the following Account that the Meetings the Day Past was for the most Part well and where it was Otherwise Care had been Taken for Amendment for the future, this Meeting is Ajorned till to Morrow Morning att the Eight hour / — — — —

16 The Meeting being Met According to Ajornment After Some time Spent in worship the Elders was Cald on who Gave Ace that the Meetings Yesterday was in the main Pretty well to General Satisfaction the Friends Apointed to Draw Epistle to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending the Need full as Vseal Work this meeting are Clark Rodman and Joh Casey — —

Att A Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att Newport 9 12th mo 1747 — — — — —

After Some time Spent in Worship the Seueral Quaterly Meetings Care Cald on Whose Representitives are as followeth for Rhode-Island William Anthony and Christofer Townsend Present for Salome Samuel Pope and Elijah Collins Present, Dartmouth Nicholas Davis and Edward Wing Present — — — — —

The Friends Apointed to Take Care of the following Meetings for Worship and Make Return to the Seueral Ajournments are Thomas Richardson Benjamin Smith Zacheus Collins Samuel Pope and Edward Wing This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning att the Eight hour / — — —

13 The Meeting being Met by Ajournment After Some Time Spent in Worship the Elders Were Cald on Who Gave Account that the two Preceding Publick Meetings

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders
held at Newport ye 12th 4th 1711 — — — —
After Some time Spent in Worship and
Sundre Good Cautions Given the Seueral
Quaterly Meetings were Cald Upon Whose
Representitiues are as followeth for Rhode-
Island William Anthony Samuel Aldrich
and John Casey Present — — — — — — —
for Salom Benjamin Bagnel Samuel Pope and
Jacchaus Collins Present — — — — — —
for Sandwich None Present by Appointment —
By Epistle from Rhode Island Quaterly Meeting
of Ministers and Elders they Inform their Meetings
Sence Last Year has been kept Up and the
Affares thereoff Managed in Love and that y Minis-
try in the Main Oken to Satisfaction Ministers
and Elders Swell in Love and Attend Meetings
Seasonably for the Most Part — — — —
By Epistle from Salom they Inform that the
Testomonies off Publick Frinds were Well Kepte
Sence the Last Year — — — — — — —
This Meeting is Ajourned to Next Second Day
being the 15th of this att Eight in the Morning
the Meeting being Mett by Ajournment after
Some time Spent in Worship Proceed to Business
By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform that
Testimonies Among them for the Year Past has
has been for the Mort Part in the Simplisaty
of Truth and at times Prety Well — — — —
The Elders Make Report the Preceeding Yearly
Meeting hath been in Good Manner Well That
Life and Diuine Authority was Manifested in Sweet
Testimonies that were Borne Which was to Edification

Edification and Where things have been Otherwise
Care hath been Taken to Advise in a Degree
of Christian Love — — — — — — —
The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the
Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and
Elders from this Meeting of things Needfull
are Clark Rodman Christofer Townsend &
John Casey — this Meeting is Ajourned til
Next Year at the Usual time and Place

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6 Day of the week. At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport the 11th mo 1742 —
After Some time Spent in Worship and Sundre
Good Cautions Given the Several Quaterly
Meetings have Cald Upon Whose Representatives
are as followeth for Rhode Island John Tucker
William Anthony and John Casey Present
for Salom Samuel Pope Zacheus Collins and
Joseph Eastes Present
John Tucker Zacheus Collin Samuel Pope
Jacob Mott Thomas Richardson and Benjamin
Smith are Appointed to Make Return of the
Caring on of the following Yearly Meeting to
the Several Ajournments as they find things are —
This Meeting is Ajourned til to Morrow at Eight
in the Morning — — —

1st Day This Meeting being Met by Ajournment After
Some time time Spent in Worship the Elders
were Cald on who Gave the following Account
of the Caring on of the Meeting the Last Part
was to Their Good Satisfaction and Where they
thought it Not so well as Could be Desired Care
is Taken to Advise for the future. The Certificate
of Our Worthy Friend Samuel Hopkins of Connec

Cornwell in Old England from the Second Days
Morning Meeting in London the 20th of 2m 1741 —
was Red to Satisfaction This Meeting is Ajornd
till to Morrow at Eight in the Morning —

2 Day The Meeting being Met by Ajournment after
Some time Spent in Worship the Epistle
from Rhode Island Quaterly Meeting was
Red in this Which Inform that Ministry hath
Been in the Main to Satisfaction Ministers
and Elders live in love and Attend Meetings
Seasonably for the Most Part — By Epistle
from Salem they Inform that Ministry hath
Been to Satisfaction — from Sandwich No
Acct The Elders being Called on Give
the following Account that the Meetings the
Day Past was Carred to Satisfaction —

1 Day The Meeting being Met by Ajournment after
omitted Some time Spent in Worship the Elders Make
Report the Preceading Meeting has been to
Good Satisfaction — This Meeting is Ajornd
till to Morrow at Eight in the Morning
The Friends Apointed to Draw Epistle to the
Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and
Elders Recommending what is Needful
as Usal are Thomas Richardson Clark —
Rodman and John Casey This Meeting
is Ajornd till the Next Year at the Usal
time and Place — — — — —

Att a Yearly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders held at Newport the 16th
4th mo 1743 After Some time Spent in
Worship and Sundry Good Counsel Given

Given the Several Quaterly Meetings
Were Called on Whose Representatives are
as followeth for Rhode Island William
Anthony Samuel Aldrich and John Casey
for Salem Samuel Pope and Zaccheus
Collins — — — — —
for Sandwich None Present —
A Certificate of our Worthy friend
John Haslam from the Quaterly Meeting
of Ministers and Elders held in the City
of York in Grate Britain the 24th 1m 1742
Also A Certificate from the Second Days
Morning Meeting held in London the 21st 1m 1742
Also A Certificate for our Worthy friend
Edward Pechomer from the Second Days
Morning Meeting held in London the 5th 5m 1742
All Was Read to Satisfaction of this
Meeting — — — — —
John Tucker Thomas Richardson Nathaniel
Starbuck Zaccheus Collins and Samuel Pope
are Apointed to Make Return of the
Caring on of the following Yearly Meeting
& the Several Ajournments as they find
things are — — — — —
By Epistle from Rhode Island and Salem
Quaterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders
they Inform that Ministry hath been
Duely Dell in the Main Ministers and Elders
Live in Love and Attend Meetings Seasonably
for the Most Part — — —
This Meeting is Ajourned Till to Morrow at

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform Ministry in the Main hath been Pretty Well Ministers and Elders live in love Attend meetings Reasnably for the most Part ——

Samuel Pope Zacheus Collins John Green Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker and Isaac Pearce are Apointed to take Care of the following Meetings of the Years Meeting for Worship and Make Return to the Seaveral Ajournments from Day to Day how Things have been Cared on ——

This Meeting is Ajourned till to morow Morning att the Eight hour ——

13 Friends being mett According to Ajournment after Some time Spent in worship Rhode Island Quarterly meeting was Called on whose Representatives are as followeth ——

Peter Davis Thomas Rodman Jonathan Wood and Abraham Anthony

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform Ministry in Generall Pretty well Ministers and Elders live in love and attend Meetings Reasnably for the most Part ——

The Elders being Called on Give the following Account that the Meeting the Day past was to Genagal Satisfaction Except a few words Dropped at the Gathering of the Meeting by a Person that is not in full Unity ——

This Meeting is Ajourned to the Eight hour to Morrow morning ——

14 Friends Meet According to Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders were Called on who Give the following Account the Meetings the Day Past was not Altogether so Satisfactory as we could Desire there being Some Reputations Delivered and Expresions Droped which we Apprehend Some what hurt the Service ——

This Meeting is Ajourned tel to Morrow morning att the Eight hour ——

15 Friends Meet According to Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on who Give the following Account Thatt Meetings the Day Past Both

Both fore Noon and After was cared on to Gonaral Satisfaction and in our Judgment was of Good Service

The Friends Apointed to Draw Epistls from this Meeting to Seveal Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending Things Nesary as usal are Christofer Townsend and John Casey ——

6th 8th 1753 At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Newport for New England the Eight Day of the Six month 1753

After Some time Spent in Worship the Seveal Quaterly Meetings was dald on Whose Representatives are as followeth

For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Jonathan Wood Peter Davis Thomas Rodman Abraham Tucker and Christofer Townsend

For Salom Samuel Pope Benjamin Bagnel and Zacheus Collins

For Sandwich Nicholas Davis Seth Kelley and John Chapman all Present

Samuel Pope Zacheus Collins Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker and Abraham Anthony are apointed To take care of the following Yearly Meetings for Worship and make Return to the Seveal Ajournments from Day to Day how Things have been cared on ——

This Meeting is Ajourned till to morrow morning at the Eight hour ——

Friends being met according to Ajournment after Some Time Spent in worship Proceed to Busines ——

By Epistls from Rhode Island Salom and Sandwich this Yearly Meeting hath been Favoured with Ministers and Elders like in Love and attend Meetings Seasonably for the most Part

The Elders made Report the Meeting the Day Past was Cared on to prety Good Satisfaction

This meeting is Ajourned till to morrow morning at the Eight hour as usal ——

10 Friends being met according to the Ajournment after
some time Spent in worship the Elders being called on Gi
the following account the meetings this last Part was cared
on to Pretty Geneal Satisfaction — — — — —
This meeting is Ajourned till to morrow morning att the
Eight hour — — — — — — — — — — —

11 Friends mett According to the Ajournment after Some
time Spent in worship the Elders ware called on who
Give the following account the fore Part of Each Meeting
the Day Past was cared on to Good Satisfaction Not
withstanding there Seemd nott so Good Service in the last
Testimonies of Each meeting they being nott well time
and some Expressions Appeared Like Contradiction we
have taken Some care to caution and Advise —
Thomas Richardson Christofer Townsend and
John Carey are aponted to Draw Epistle from this
Meeting to the Seueral Quaterly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders Recommending Things Needfull as usal —

1754 6m 10 At Our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders
held in Newport for New England y 14th 6m 1754
after Some time Spent in worship the Seueral
Quaterly Meeting was called on those Representitieve
are as followeth — — — —
for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Joseph
Tucker Abraham Tucker John Green Stephen
Hazsic and Jacob Mott — — — — — — —
for Salom Samuel Pope Benjamin Bagne
Nicholas Collins and Joseph Eastos — — — — —
for Sandwich Nicholes Davis Butt no Account
By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform
Ministry that been Prety well Ministers and Elders
live in love attend Meetings Seasnably for the
most part — — — — — — — — — —

By Epis

By Epistle from Salom they Inform of recieving
prety Good Accounts but not so well as Could be desired
Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Samuel Pope
Ezekeus Collins Abraham Anthony Philip Howe
and Isaac Pearce are Appointed to Take care of
the following Meetings for Worship and make
Return to the Several Ajournments of this
Meeting how things have been Carred on ——
This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow
Morning att the Eight hour ———————

6 Friends Being Mett According to Ajournment after
Some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Cald on
who Give the following Account the Meetings the Day
Past was cared on Orderly and to Good Satisfaction ——
This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow morning att the
Eight hour as useal ———————

16 Friends being mett According to Ajournment after Some
time Spent in Worship the Elders ware cald on who
Give the following account the Meetings the Day Past
was Orderly and of Good Service ——
This Meeting is Ajorned till to Morrow Morning att
the Eight hour ———————

17 Friends being mett According to Ajournment after time
Spent in Worship the Elders ware Cald on who Give the
following Account the Meetings the Day Past was
was for general Satisfaction and of Good Service ——
By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform Ministry
hath been Duely well Ministers and Elders Link in
love and Attend Meetings Seasonably for the most
part ———————

A Certificate of our worthy Friend Mary Peisley from
the National Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
in Dublin y 10th of the 2mo 1753 Likewise one from the
Morning Meeting in London Signifying their Concurrence
the 18th 6mo 1753 ———————

Also the Certificate of our Worthy Friend Catharine Payton from
the Morning Meeting Signifying their Concurrence also y 18th 6mo
1753 was red in this Meeting to Good Satisfaction ——
The Friends Appointed to Draw an Epistle from this Meeting
to the Several Quarterly Meetings Recommending what is Necessary
to be useal are Jacob Mott and John Casey ——

Meetings at Portsmouth and Newport According to their Understanding Ware Very Well — — — — — — — — —

By Epistle from Rhode Island Salome and Sandwich Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders they Inform that in the Ministry hath been Pretty Well Minister and Elders Dwell in love and Attend Meetings Seasnably for the most Part, this Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning at the Eight hour —

This Meeting being Met by Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders Ware Called on who Give Account the Meetings the Day Past Was Very Well in Ware Under standing and they hope to Genaral Satisfaction this Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning at the Eight hour —

This Meeting being Met According to Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders Ware Called on who Give the following Acct that the Meetings the Day Past Was Very Well in all Respects and they Believe to Genaral Satisfaction, the Friends Upointed to Draw Epistle from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending things Needfull as Read are Clark Rodman and John Kerry —

At A yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport y 10th mo 1748 : After Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Ware Called on Whose Representitives are as follow —

for Rhode Island William Anthony and Jacob Mott
for Salome Enos Pope and Zacheus Collins — —
for Sandwich Nicholas Davis — — —

By Epistle from Salome they Inform they have nott Read any Accounts from the Several monthly Meetings But Dont Understand Butt that things respectibly the Ministry are Pretty Well — — — —

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform According to the Accounts Recived from the Several Meeting things Among them are Indifferent Well Friends Dwell to Gether in peace their Meetings are Generly Kept up and Attended Seasnably — — — —

Zacheus Collins John Green Samuel Pope and Isaac Davis are Upointed to take Care of the following Meetings of the yearly Meeting and Make Return to this Meeting to the Several Ajournments from Day to Day —

This Meeting

This Meeting is Ajourn'd till to Morrow Morning att the Eight hour

11 This Meeting Being Mett by Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders Ware Call'd on Who Gave the following Account of the two last Meetings of Worship Ware in the Main Carried on to General Satisfaction. The Epistle of Rhode Island Quaterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders Was Red in this Meeting to Satisfaction This Meeting is Ajourned to the 12th Instant att Eight in the Morning.

12 This Meeting being Mett By Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders Rendered an Account that in the Meetings the Day Past they Observed Little Butt What Was Orderly and to Pretty Good Satisfaction Except Some Expressions Which Appeard to them not so Agreeable as they Could desire. This Meeting is Ajourn'd till to Morrow y 13th Instant att the Eight hour in the Morning.

13 This Meeting being Mett According to Ajournment the Elders Ware Call'd on Who Gave the following Acct of the Meetings of Worship the Day Past Nothing of Note Appeard to them Butt they Ware Orderly and to Pretty General Satisfaction The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistle from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending What Service Necessary as Shall are Chris to fer Southwend and John Casey

The Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport 4th 9th mo 1749 After Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meeting Ware Call'd on Whose Representatives are as followeth

for Rhode Island Moses Lindly Thomas Rodman Gideon Rodman and Jacob Mott

for Sandwich Nicholas Davis Caleb Barker & Edward Wing

for Salem Samuel Dove Zacheus Collins and Caleb Cox

Ezekiel Collins Samuel Dove Joseph Gale Edward Wing

to take Care of the following Meetings of the Yearly Meeting and Make Return to this Meeting of the Several Appointments from Day to Day

This Meeting is Adjourned till to Morrow Morning at 9 Eight hour —

10 Day This Meeting Met According to Adjournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on Who Gave the following Account that the Meeting the Day Past was not so Regular in all Respects as they Could Desire — — —

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform their Meeting have Been Duly Kept the Affairs thereof Cared on in Love and the Account Brought in from the Several Meetings Ministry in the Main Well / Ministers and Elders Dwell in Love and Attend Meetings Seasonably for the Most Part — — — — — — — —

By Epistle from Salom they Inform that they have Received no Proper Account of their Meeting — — — —

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform the Affairs of that Meeting Was Cared on to their Good Satisfaction — — —

This Meeting is Adjourned till Tomorow Morning all the Eight hour — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

11 This Meeting Being Met by Adjournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on Who Gave the following Account that According to their Observation Meetings the Day Past was to their General Satisfaction and Where they Observed Caution Was Lacking Some Have Been Concerned to Give it — — — — —

This Meeting is Adjourned till to Morrow Morning all the Eight hour — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

12 This Meeting Met According to Adjournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on Who Gave the following Account that the Meetings Yesterday Were Well and to General Satisfaction The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Recommending Things Needfull are Christofer Townsend and John Cadby. — — — — —

At Our Yearly Meeting of Ministers Elders held in Newport R. I. 8th 4th mo 1750 — — —

After Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings Were Called on Whose Representatives were as Viz — — — — —

for Rhode Island Peter Dunn Jacob Mott and Joseph Tucker — —

for Salom Samuel Pope and Zacheus Collins

for Sandwich Nicholas Davis and Edward Wing — — — — — —

By Epistle from Rhode Island Quaterly Meeting they Inform their Meetings have been kept up and the Affairs thereof Managed in a Good Degree of Love Ministry hath been Pretty Well Ministers and Elders Dwell in Love Attend Meetings Seasnably for the Most Part — — — —

By Epistle from Salom they Inform Ministry Pretty well Ministers and Elders Live to Gether in Love

By Epistle from Sandwich they Inform Ministry in the Main hath been Pretty Well Ministers and Elders Live in Love Attend Meetings Seasnably for the Most Part — — — — — —

The Friends Appointed to Take Care of the following Meetings of Worship Throughout the Yearly Meeting and Make Return to the Several Appointments from Day to Day are Jacob Mott Joseph Tucker Samuel Pope Zacheus Collins and Edward Wing

This Meeting is Ajourned till to morrow Morning att the Eight hour — —

9 The Meeting being mett by Ajournment the Elders Ware Call on the Girls Account that the Preceeding Meetings was Cared on to Good Satisfaction — —

The Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning att the Eight hour — — —

10 The Meeting being mett by Ajournment the Elders ware Call on the Girls Account that the Meetings the Day past was Cared on in the Genaral Pretty well and Where they Apprehended there was Need of Cautions Have Taken care To Give them — — — —

This Meeting is Ajourned till to morrow Morning att the Eight hour — — —

11 The Meeting being mett by Ajournment

after

After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on who Give Account that the fore Noon Meeting the Day Past was to Piety Good Satisfaction — The Afternoon was Both Altogether to no Good Satisfaction as they Could Desire — — — —

The Friends Apointed to Draw Epistles from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings are Christopher Townsend & John Carey

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At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport for New England the 11th mo 1761 —

After some time Spent in Worship the Yearly Meeting was Called by Which Representatives were as follows for Rhode Island George Rodman Jun & Matt Borden for Sabram Daniel Gwynn Jacobus Collins Benjamin Ogden and Samuel Pope. Dartmouth — — — — — — — —

for Sandwich Nicholas Davis Caleb Baker and Matthew Eastes Dorset — — — — — — — — — —

Samuel Pope Jacobus Collins Benjamin Bagnal John Greene Thomas Rodman and Solomon Peirce were Appointed by the Care of the following Meeting of the Yearly Meeting for Worship and Business to Set down Each Days Proceedings from Day to Day how Things have been Carried on — — — — — — — — — —

This Meeting is Gonne till to Morrow Morning at the 8 hours — — — — — — — — — — — —

Friends being met According to Gounment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was Called on Who Give the following Account that the Day Past to General Satisfaction Except Some Expressions Drop't by a Person they Apprehended is not in Unity — — — — — —

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform Ministry Body well Ministers and Elders Live in Love Attend Meetings Comfortably for the Most Part and their Meeting by the same Kept up the Affairs thereof Managed in a Good Degree of Love — — — — — — — —

By Epistle from Nine they Inform that Piety Good Friends was Brought in Carrying the Ministry — — — — — — — — — — —

5th The most Part the Business hath been Duly attended in the Main —

This Meeting is Ajourned till tomorrow Morning at the Eight hour — — — — —

6th First Day being Meet According to Ajournment after some Space in Worship the Elders was Called on who Gave an Account the Meeting the Day Past was well Kept to Good Satisfaction —

The Meeting is Ajourned till to morrow Morning at the Eight Hour — — — —

7th First Day being Meet According to Ajournment after some Time spent in Worship the Elders was Called on who Gave an Account the forenoon Meeting the Day Past was to Duly Good Satisfaction & do not know any thing Approved well to be Kept they have Taken Care for the Afternoon Meeting was well Kept to General Satisfaction —

The Friends Appointed to Answer Epistles from this Meeting to the several Quarterly Meetings Reported Nothing Had Yet Come to Hand Except from Christopher Logan Jacob Mott & Job Easton — — — —

1752 6mo 12 All our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Newport for New England — the 12th 6mo 1752 — — — — — —

After some Time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings was Called on whose Representatives were as followeth — — — —

Rhode Island No Account Redy — — —

For Salome Joseph Easton Mathews Collins and Samuel Pope Present — — — —

For Sandwich Nicholas Davis Present —

By Epistle from Salom they Inform that no Regular Account was Brought in to their Meeting to Satisfaction but care is Taken that Things may be Better for time to Come — — — — —

1755 At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Newport for New England the 13th of the 6m 1755 — after Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings was Cald on how Representaline are as followeth for Rhode Island Jacob Mott Thomas Richardson Abraham Anthony Peter Davis and Christofer Townsend — — —

11 The Certificate of our worthy Friend Joshua Dixon from the Morning Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London the 10th of the 6mo 1754 - - - - - -
Likewise a Certificate of our Worthy Friend Samuel Fothergill from the Said Morning Meeting both was red to Satisfaction of - - - - - - - - -
This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning att the Eight hour - - - - - - - -

And Elders in the Epistles The Friends Apointed to Draw Epistls from this Meeting to the Seveal Quaterly Meeting Recomending the Things Needfull are Christofer Townsend and John Casey — — — — — — — — — — —

Hear followeth a Coppy of the Epistle from From our Yerly Meeting for Ministers and Elders att Newport from the 13th to the 16th off the 6m inclusive 1755 to the Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders belonging this Meeting — Dear Friends —

For as much as in every Dispensation of Divine Wisdom the Ministry in his Church hath been by his own Apointment and his gift for the Perfecting of the Saints and the Edefying of the Body in love and as they have kept in the Place he has Assigned them have very Greatly Contributed to those Excellent ends and on the contrary when they have turned aside from a Stedfast obedience & humble leaning upon his own Direction have forsook him and Serve Baal they have been the instruments of the greatist hurt to the Church in all ages and caused the People to Err by their corrupt Ministry and Example and when the Elders apointed to asist them & have the Oversight of the flock have Faithfully followed the heavenly leadings they have been as Aron & Hur to the Ministry in Strengthning their hands to warr with the Enemyes of Gods Israll and Leading the People on their way from Victory to Victory over their Enemyes into the Dominion of Truth and the Peaceable Posesion of a Land frutefull and abounding with milk and hony from on high But when these have forsook the cause of God and had their garments Defiled with the Stains of the World & its corrupting Spirit and liberties they have been Stumbling Blocks in the way of those little ones our Heavenly Father hath Begot by his Powerfull Word and given great Encouragement to a Libertine Spirit which has Despised the Dominion of Truth and Spoke Evil of its Dignitys a Deep and Weighty Concern hath rested upon this

meeting

Meeting for the revival of Zion Ancient Beauty that
in this our Age Her Light may go forth as Brightness
and her Salvation as a lamp that Burneth that
Through the renewings of Ancient Vertue made Sensible
to the Bowing of our Spirits in Thankfulness before
him that he Still cares for us and waits to bless
us as he Did our Fathers that by and through us as
a People his glorious name might be made famous
to the Ends of the Earth We Intreat all Ministers &
Elders to be Awakend in Soul to see to the Discharg of
their Duty faithfully to God and his Church that they
may be instrumental in Rebuilding the Decayed walls
and Repairing the Breaches made in our Zion and
in order to Stir up all to their Duty wee recommend to your care the following Queries and we think
it Expedient that the Ministers & Elders in Each
Monthly Meeting do meet together at least once
a Quater in which Meeting the Queries may be red
Concidered and an Answer Prepaired to be Brought
to the Quaterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders —
Where for the future this Meeting Exspects plain
and full Answers and that they Remain under the
care of Friends Concerned to Concider and Practise
1 Are Ministers and Elders carefull & Duly to Attend all
their Meetings for Worship and Discapline Bringing
along with them as many of their Families as they can
and are they Good Examples in humble waighting
Therein not giveing way to Drowsiness — — —
2 Are Ministers found in Word & Doctrine carefull to
Minister in the Ability God only gives and

And thereby kept from Bursting the Living one in Ano unity and fellowship in the Church ——— ——— ——— ———

2 Are their Lifes and Conversations clean and Blameless amongst them Adorning the Doctrine they Believe to Others being Examples of the Believers in Word in conversation in Charity in Spirit in faith in Purity ——— ——— ——— ———

1 Do they rule their own house well Bringing their Families up in Things which truth Requires in dress Language & Conversation and are they Good Examples in these respects themselves

3 Are they Peace Makers in Families and in the Church not concerned in Raising or Spreding Evil Reports against any nor Busy Bodies where they have no Proper Business ———

6 Are they carefull to Maintain the Discipline of the Church in every part thereof not to hide even their own families from the Judgement if occation be given but impartially Administer Justice to all as Faithfull Servents in the house of God ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

7 Do none Travill out of compas of the Quaterly Meeting they belong to without certificates from their Monthly Meeting ———

8 Are Ministers and Elders in unity one with another and with the Meeting they belong to Harmoniously Labouring together for truth Honnour and carefull to give no occasion of just offence to Either Jew or Gentile or the house hold of Faith ——— ——— ——— ———

9 Do you watch over one another for good to help those who are young in the Ministry in the right line Discouraging forward Spirits that run into Words without life and Power Gaurding against Affectation of Tones and Gestures and Every Thing which would hurt their Service

Service yet encouraging the Humbled carefull traveller
Speaking a word in due Season to them that are weary,
and let all Feel in that which gives Ability to Labour
Successfully in the Church of Christ ———

10 Where any Ministers or Elders Transgress the Rules of Truth
and walk Disorderly are they dealt with in the Spirit
of love and Charity yet the line of Judgement Strecht
over Obstinate offenders that the Blessed Truth be not
Evil Spoken of through their Misconduct ———

Signed in on Behalf & By Order of the aforesaid Meeting by

Samuel Rotheryll	Benjamin Buffenton	Peter Davis
Joshua Dixson	John Greene Jr.	Nathaniel Coleman
John Lacey	John Lapham	James Scriven
Thomas Goodwin	Lott Tripp	Thomas Richardson
Solomon Hoxsie	John Collins	Jacob Mott
Henry Tucker	Joseph Anthony	Christopher Townsend
Foley Spencer	Theophelus Shove	John Pond
Zecheus Collins	Edward Wing	Joseph Estes
Samuel Pope	Peter Davis Jr.	Timothy Davis
Abraham Tucker	John Morel	David Gardner
John Purinton	Elizabeth Gidley	Comfort Hoag
Mary Chace	Stephzibeth Tuffey	Mary Richardson
Isabel Buffenton	Susannah Gifford	Ruth Monett
Abigal Deane	Martha Corn	Phebe Tucker
Sarah Gashil	Mary Smith	

At Our Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held in Newport the 11th 6m 1756 after some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings ware Cald on how Representatives are as followeth ———————

for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Jacob Mott and Abraham Tucker Present ———

for Salem Benjamin Bagnel Zacheus Collins John Morrell Peter Morrell and Samuel Pope Present ———

for Sandwich Timothy Davis Present ———————

Jacob Mott Abraham Anthony Abraham Tucker Joseph Tucker and Zacheus Collins are Apointed to take care of the following Meetings for Worship and mak return to the Several Ajournments of this Meeting how Matters have been caried on ———————

By Epistle from Rhode Island they Inform they have recived an answer from Some of their Monthly Meetings which inform that the Queries have been red and Considerd and find in Some Degree things are well butt not so in all the Queries and they are under a labour for a Mendment for the future ———————

By Epistle from Salem they inform they have recived good and comfortable accounts from their Several Monthly Meetings of Ministers and Elders living in love and attending Meetings well butt no answers to the Queries of the Yearly Meeting ———————

This Meeting is Ajourned to the 13th of this Instant at the Eight hour in the Morning ———————

13th Friends being Met by Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Cald on who give the following account of the meetings the two Days Past Notwithstanding there was Several Exelent Testimonys Delivered in the Demonstration of the Spirit and with Power yet was not

nott cared Cared on to so good Satisfaction as they Could Desire for that there Apeared Some forwair Spirits for which they haue Taken care and giuen Cautions that it may be better for time to come This Meeting is Ajoumd till tomorrow Morning at the Eight hour — — — — — — — — — — — —

Friends Met According to Ajournment after some Spent in Worship Proceed to Buisness, — — —
The Elders Being Cald on giue the following account That the Meetings the Day Past was Cared on to good Satisfaction — — — — — — — —
This Meeting hath nott Recived any Epistle from Sandwich Quaterly Meeting Which Neglect this Meeting Desires there may be more care taken for the future That wee may haue Proper accounts Brought up hear — — — — — — — — —
The Friends Apointed to Draw Epistls to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders from This Meeting Recomending things Needfull are Abraham Anthony Christofer Townsend and John Casey — — — — — — — — — —

At Our Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held in Newport the 12th 6th 1757
After Some time Spent in Worship the Seueral Quaterly Meetings were Cald on how Representatiues are as followeth
for Rhode Island Peter Davis Joseph Tucker Jacob Nott Abraham Anthony and Peter Barker —
for Salem Zaccheus Collins Joseph Eatos John Morrill and Phillip Rowel — — —
for Sandwich Caleb Barber and Timothy Davis —

By Epistle from Rhode Island they inform their Meetings are Kept up and have Received Answers from the Several Monthly Meeting (Excepting Smithfield) Concerning the Queries Which are in Some Part well but not so in all — — — — —

By Epistle from Salom they Inform that Love is Maintained in Good Degree among Ministers and Elders they likewise inform the Queries have been Red in some Meetings to Pretty Good Satisfaction but in as Much as the Accounts are not so Particuler as could be Desired they have not sent them to this Meeting but give incouragment that a more Particuler account will be Given for the future — — — — — — —

Abraham Anthony Joseph Tucker Zaccheus Collins Abraham Tuckerman Stephen Hoxie are Appointed to take care of the following Meeting for Worship and make return to the several Ajournments How things have been cared on — — — — — — —

This Meeting is Ajourned to the 12th instant att the Eight hour in the Morning — — — — — —

12 Friends being mett According to Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Called on who Made Report the Meetings the Tow Days Past was cared on to Pretty Good Satisfaction — — — — — —

By Epistle from Sandwich they inform they had Received an Epistle from this Meeting Which was well accepted and they have sent Answers to the Queries Although clear in some part others are not Clear as could be Desired — — — — —

As the Answers to the Queries have not been so Particuler as to Mention in What there is a Shortness it is Desired by this Meeting that More care for the future may to be so plainly set forth where the Defishency is —

Jacob Mott Abraham Anthony Zacheus Collins
and Stephen Hazzie are Apointed to Draw Epistle
from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings
of Ministers and Elders Recommending what is necessary
from this Meeting and Bring them to the Meeting
to Morrow to be Signed — — — — — —

This Meeting is Ajourned till to Morrow Morning
att the Seventh hour — — — — — — — — — —

13 Friends Being met According to Ajournment after
some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware call
on who Make Report the Meeting Yesterday was
Cared on in General to Satisfaction Notwithstanding
there was Some Appearance not all Altogether so Regular
as Might be and Some Errors Dropped that was
not so Agreeable as wee Could Desire; the Epistle
from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings
Recommending what was Seen Needfull was Signed
in this Meeting — — — — — —

1758 At our Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held in
Newport the 9th Day of the 6mo 1758
after Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings
ware call on how Representitives are. as followeth — — —
for Rhode Island Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Nathaniel Greene
James Greene Rich Mory Benjamin Bufinton Abraham Anthony
and Christofer Townsend
for Salom John Morrell Zaccheus Collins Benjamin Bagnell
and Abraham Dowre — — — — — —
for Sandwich Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis — — —
by Epistls from the Several Quaterly Meetings they
they inform the Queries have been Answered in there Meetings
and have sent them to this Meeting which in part is to Satisfaction
but not so generly well as could be Desired —

The Friends Apointed to take care of the following Meetings for worship
and mak return to the Several Ajournments of this Meeting — how the

Meetings are cared on is Abraham Anthony Joseph Tucker Abraham Tucker Benjamin Bagnell and Zaccheus Collins ——
A Certifakit of Our Well Esteemed Friend Samuel Spauold from the Morning Meeting in London the seuenth Day of the 2mo 1757 was red to Satisfaction of this Meeting ——
This Meeting is Ajourned to the 11th instant att Eight in the Morning
11 Day Friends being Mett by Ajournment after Some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Cald on Who Give the following Account the Meetings the Days past was cared on to Prety General Satisfaction Christofer Sowrwine Theophelis Shone & Peter Davis Junor are Apointed to Draw Epistls to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings Recommending things Needfull and bring them to this Meeting to be Signed att the Ajournment Of this Meeting is Ajourned to the 12th Instant att Eight in the Morning ——
12 Friends met by Ajournment After Some time Spent in Worship the Elders was cauld on Who Give Account the Meetings the Day Past was to Prety Good Satisfaction
The Epistle from this Meeting to the Seueral Quaterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders was Signed in this Meeting ——

1759 At our Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held in Newport the 8th Day of the 2mo 1759
After Some time Spent in Worship the Seueral Quaterly Meetings ware Cald on whose Representatiues is as followeth ——
for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony and Peter Barker —
for Salom Samuel Pope Zaccheus Collins and Peter Morrell
for Sandwich Nathon Davis and Timothy Davis ——

By Epistle from Rhode Island Salom and Sandwich Quaterly Meetings they inform the Querys haue been red and Answered which is Received in this Meeting Some of them are to Satisfaction and by others it apears that there is a Neglect of Duty among Friends

The Certifikat of our Esteemed Friend John Storer from the Morning Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London the 3 of the 7mo 1758 was red in this Meeting to Satisfaction ——

Abraham Anthony Zaccheus Collins Samuel Pope and Nathan Davis are apointed to Take the ouer Sight of the following Meetings for Worship and Make return to the Seuerfal Ajournments of this Meeting how they find the Meetings haue been cared on ——

This Meeting is Ajourned to the 10th instant at Seuen in the Morning ——

Friends being met by Ajournment after some time spent in Worship Proceed to Business the Representatives present are Peter Davis Abraham Anthony Jacob Mott Joseph Tucker Peter Barker Samuel Pope Zaccheus Collins Peter Morrel Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis

The Elders being Called on make Report that the Meetings the Days past in the Last Day Meeting to their Knowledge was a Manifest Disorder for which they have used Indeavours by Caution and Advice for amendment Although by what appear in the Seventh Day Meeting it had not its Desired Effect yet they have further Cautioned ——

Mr Friends Benjamin Coffin Christopher Townsend & Daniel Coit are Apointed to Draw Epistls to the Several Quaterly Meetings Recommending things Needfull and bring them to this Meeting to be Signed at the Ajournment ——

This Meeting is Ajourned to the 11th instant at Seven in the Morning ——

Friends being met by Ajournment after some time spent in Worship the Elders ware Called on who gave an Account that the Meetings the Day past was carried on mostly to Every Good Satisfaction ——

The Epistls to the Several Quaterly Meetings was Signed in this Meeting

1760 At Our Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held at Newport the 13th 6mo 1760
after some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings ware Called on Whose Representatives are as followeth ——

for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Peter Barker Joseph Tucker Adam Mott Solomon Hoxsie and Joseph Congdon ——

for Salem Benjamin Bagnel and Samuel Pope

for Sandwich Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis ——

The Friends Apointed to Take care of the followings Meetings for worship throughout the Yearly Meeting and Make Return to the Several Governments are Abraham Anthony Jacob Mott Benjamin Bagnel Samuel Pope Joseph Tucker and Zaccheus Collins —— ——

This Meeting is Ajourned to the 15th instant at Seven in the Morning ——

4th 5 Friends Meet by Ajournment after some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Called on Who Make the following Report the Meetings the Day Past was to Good Satisfaction Excepting a few words in the for Part of the Meeting a Six Day ——— ———

The Queries was Red and Answered in this Meeting some of Which was to Satisfaction but their Apears a Great Neglect of Duty in other some for Which Friends are Desired to be more Careful and Stir up one another that there may be a more Agreeable Account Brought up to this Meeting

Our Friends Christofer Townsend Nathaniel Green and Thomas Wilbor are Desired to Draw Epistls from this Meeting to the Several Quaterly Meetings and bring them to this Meeting to be Signed at the Ajournment

This Meeting is Ajourned til to Morrow Morning at the Seventh hour ——— ———

16 Friends being mett by Ajournment after some time Spent in Worship the Elders ware Called on Who Give the following Account that the Meetings the Day Past was Carred on in the main to Good Satisfaction The Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings was Signed in this Meeting ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

1765 At our yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders held at Newport the 12th of 7mo 1765 - - - - - - - - - - -

After Some time Spent in Worship the Several Quaterly Meetings were Called apon Whose Representatives are -

for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Joseph Tucker Elihu Coleman Uriah Mosey Theophilus Shour & Stephen Horsie ——— ——— ———

for Salom Benjamin Bagnell Zacheus Collins and Daniel Purinton ——— ———

for Sandwich Edward Wing John Rogers Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Our Friend John Casey haveing Served as Clark to this Meeting for Several Years to General Satisfaction Now Desireing to be Excused Joseph Congdon is apointed Clark in his Room -

A Certificate for our Esteemed Friend Samuel Nottingham from Falhog Bey Turtola Dated 25th of 2mo 1760 Signifying

those

Their Unity with his Visit to New England was Red in this
Meeting to General Satisfaction — — — — —

Friends Appointed to Take the Oversight of the following Meet
ings for Worship Dureing this Yearly Meeting and Make
Return to the Severall Adjournments are Abraham Anthon
Zaccheus Collins Edward Wing Stephen Hoxsie Uriah Mott
and Nathan Davis — — — — — —

This Meeting is Adjourned to the 11th Instant at 7 in the
morning — — —

11 Friends Met According to Adjournment After Some Time
Spent in Worship the Elders Appointed to Take the Over
Sight of the Meeting for Worship were Call upon Who
Who made the following Report that the Meeting for
the Day past was to their Observation Mostly to good
Satisfaction — — — — — — — — — — — —

Recived Epistls from the Severall Quaterly Meetings with
Answers to the Queries which were Read in this Meeting some
of which were to Satisfaction but as there Appears many
Dificiencies Friends are Desired to be more Circumspect
and Labour for Amendment — — — — — —

Our Friends Nathaniel Greene Christofer Townsend
and Stephen Hoxsie are Desired to Draw Epistls
from this Meeting to the Severall Quaterly Meetings
and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting
This Meeting is Adjourned to the 7 hour to Morrow
morning — — — — — — — —

15 Friends met According to Adjournment After Some time
Spent in worship the Elders who were Appointed to
Take Oversight of the Meetings were again Call upon
who made the following Report the Meetings the Day
Past were Conducted Orderly in General and where it
was Otherwise care was Taken, Epistls to the Severall
Quaterly Meetings were Read and Signed in this
Meeting — — — — — —

1762 All Our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
at Newport on Rhode Island The 11th of the 6mo 1762 —
after Some time Spent in Worship and Good Advice given the
Severall Quaterly Meetings here to belonging were Called
upon Whose Representatives are — — — — — — — —

for Rhode Island Jacob Mott Abraham Anthony
Peter Barker Joseph Tucker James Green & Solomon Hoxsie

for Salem John Morrell John Purinton Phillip Howel and Zacheus Collins — — — — — — —

for Sandwich John Rogers Benjamin Swift and Timothy Davis — — — — — — — — — —

Friends Appointed to Take the Oversight of the following Meetings for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and Make Returns to the Several Adjournments of this Meeting are Abraham Anthony Zacheus Collins Stephen Hoxsie Samuel Pope and Joseph Tucker — — — — — — — — — —

This Meeting Adjourned to the 13 day the 7 hour — — — —

This Meeting met According to Adjournment — — — — —

The Friends Appointed to Take the Oversight of the Meetings made Report that the Meetings the Two Days past was Conducted in General to Satisfaction and where it was Otherwise Advice hath been Given — — — — — — — —

Received Accounts from the Quaterly Meetings belonging to this Meeting Except Sandwich with Answers to the Queries which Though Some of them was to the Satisfaction of this Meeting yet the Many Deficiencies that Appears among Friends has been Cause of Much pain of mind to the honest harted — — — Timothy Davis Thomas Hazard Theophilus Shove Nathan David and Joseph Congdon are Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings Who are Desired to Observe Particularly the Deficiencies that appeer in Their Accounts — and Advise Accordingly and bring said Epistles to the Adjournment of this Meeting to be Signed — — — —

This Meeting Adjourns to the 7th hour to Morrow Morning

Met According to Adjournment

The Friends Appointed to Take the Oversight of the Meetings for for Worship made Report that the Meetings the Day Past According to their Observation was Carried on well

Our Friend Comfort Hoag laid before this Meeting a concern She hath had on her Mind for Some Years Past to Visit Friends in Europe Desireing our Certificate for that Purpose having Considered the Same together with her Certificates from the Monthly and Quaterly Meetings to Which She belongs do leave Her at liberty to proceed therein as the way Shall be opened — —

Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings Presented them to this Meeting Which were Read Approved

Approued and Signed by the Clark ——————

This Meeting Adjourns till After the Meeting of Worship —

Met According to Adjournment A Certificate for our Friend Comfort Hoag to Friends in Europe was Red Approued and Signed in this Meeting ——— ——— ——— ———

1763 At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island the 18th Day of the 6mo 1763

The Seuerall Quater ly Meetings theare to belonging being Called there Representatiue are ———

for Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Peter Barker Mary Richardson Patience Easton Nathaniel Green Elisha Coleman Uriah Mory Theophilus Shone and Soloman Haxsie

for Salom Zaccheus Collins ——— ——— ——— ———

for Sandwich Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis —

This Meeting Apoints our Friends Abraham Anthony Zaccheus Collins Stephen Haxsie Joseph Tucker and Nathan Davis to Take the Ouersight of the following Meeting for Worship Dureing this Yearly Meeting and Make return to the Seueral Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted ——— ——— ——— ———

Recived Accounts from the Seueral Quaterly Meetings with Answer to the Queries some of which are to the Satisfaction of this Meeting by Others it Appears that Friends care needs Still to be Continued in Diuers respects for a Reformation ——— ——— ——— ———

This Meetting Ajourns to the 12th Instant till the 7 hour in the Morning ——— ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

Met According to Ajournment ——— ——— ———

Friends Appointed to Take the Ouersight of the Meeting made report that on Sixth Day the Meeting was well Conducted to so Good Satisfaction as could be Desired for which they have Cautioned and Aduised and on Seuenth Day the Meeting was Conducted to Good Satisfaction

Our Friends Nathaniel Green Theophilus Shone and Christofer Townsend are Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Seuerall Quaterly Meetings and bring them to the Ajournment of this Meeting to be Signed ——— ——— ——— ———

This Meeting Ajourns to the Seuenth hour to Morrow Morning

Met According to Ajourn ment — — — —

Friends Appointed to have the Oversight of the Meetings made Report that in their Judgment the meetings the Day past were Conducted mostly to Satisfaction Except a few words droped in the first Meeting which they Apprehend might have been Omitted — — —

Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings brought them to this Meeting which were red Approved and Signed by the Clark — — — — — —

At Our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island the 8th of the 6m 1764

The Several Quaterly Meetings here to belonging being Called their Representatives are — — — — — —

Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Jacob Mott Joseph Tucker
Philip Tripp Nathaniel Green Elisha Coleman Moses
Vernam Edward Upton Solomon Hoxsie & Patience Easton

Saram Zaccheus Collins Joseph Southwick and Philip Rowel

From Sandwich no Account — — — — — —

Recived Accounts from the Several Quaterly Meetings Except Sandwich with Answers to the Queries some of which were Pritty Clear yet as Deficencies Apear in Several. Friends have Desired Still to Continue their Labour for Amendment — — — — — —

This Meeting Appoints Abraham Anthony Zaccheus Collins Philip Rowel Joseph Tucker and Nathan Davis to take the Oversight of the following Meeting for Worship During this Yearly Meeting and Make Return to the Several Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted —

This Meeting Ajourns to the 10th Instant at the 7th hour in the Morning — — — — — — — —

Met According to Ajournment — — — —

Friends Appointed to take the Oversight of the Meetings made Report that the Meetings the Two Days Past in their Judgment was to General Satisfaction Except the Latter part of the Meeting on Sixth Day for which they had taken Care — — — — — — — — — — — —

Our Friends Christofer Townsend Nathaniel Green Philip Tripp and Thomas Comstock are Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings and bring them to the Ajournment of this Meeting ——— ——

This Meeting Ajourns to the 8th hour to Morrow Morning

Meet According to Ajournment ——— ——

Friends Appointed to take the Oversight of the Meeting for Worship made Report that the Meetings for the Day past was Carried on to prety Good Satisfaction as far as they Observed

Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Quaterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were Read Approved and Signed by the Clerk ———

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport for Rhode Island the 14th of 9mo 1765 ——

The Several Quaterly Meeting thereto belonging being Called there Representatives are ———

For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Joseph Tucker James Green Uziah Morey Theophilus Howe John Collins Sarah Nichols & Patience Easton ——— ——— ——— ———

For Salem John Morrel Zacheus Collins & Benjamin Bagnell

For Sandwich John Rogers & Nathan Davis ——— ———

Recived Accounts from the Several Quaterly Meetings with Answers to the Queries Although prety Clear in Some respect Yet not so Satisfactory in General as could be desired Wherefore Friends are Desired to be more Careful and send up plain Accounts and Where Defishencys apear to labour for a Mendment ——— ——— ——— ———

This Meeting Apoints Abraham Anthony Zacheus Collins Joseph Tucker Nathan Davis Uriah Morey James Green and John Morrel to have the Oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and make Report to the Several Sitings of this Meeting how they are Conducted

This Meeting Ajorns to the 7 hour in the Morning of the 16th Instant ——— ———

Met according to Ajournment The Friends Apointed to have the Oversight of the Meeting for Worship made Report to this Meeting which is as followeth Viz ———

the Meetings the two Days Past was Conducted to General Satisfaction Except Some Words by a Person not in Unity and a few words by a Friend which were Concise was not so well in all Respects as could be

Be Wished for Which wee have Cautioned and Admused ——— ———

The Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings are Stephen Hoxsie Christofer Townsend & Thomas Comstock and Bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting to be Signed

This Meeting Adjourns to the 7th hour to Morrow Morning ——— ———

Mett According to Adjournment The Friends Appointed to have the Ouersight of the Meetings for Worship made Report that the Day past the Meetings was Cared on to pretty Good Satisfaction and where it Appeard otherwise they had Taken Some care ——— ———

Friends Appointed to Draw Epistles to the Seueral Quaterly Meetings Presented them to this Meeting which was Red Approued of and Signed by the Clark ——— ——— ——— ———

At Our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held att Newport on Rhode Island the 13 Day of the 6th 1766 — The Seueral Meetings here to Belonging being Called Their Representatives are for Rhode Island — Christopher Townsend Joseph Tucker Thomas Aldrich Uriah Morey and John Collins ——— ——— ———

Por Salom Zaccheus Collins Joseph Southwick Jonathan Dow and Sarah Bogue ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

Por Sandwich John Rogers Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis

Recived Accounts from the Seueral Quaterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders with Answers to the Queries. ——— ——— ——— ———

This Meeting Appoints our Friends Zaccheus Collins Joseph Tucker John Rogers Nathan Davis Thomas Wilbor and Thomas Aldrich to take the ouersight of the Ensueing Meetings for Worship dureing this Yearly Meeting & make Return to the Seueral Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted ——— ——— ——— ———

This Meeting Ajourns to ye 15th Instant att the 7th hour in the Morning ——— ——— ——— ——— ———

Mett According to Ajournment

The Friends Appointed to take the Ouersight of the Meetings for Worship made report that the Meeting on Sixth Day was nott Conducted to so Good Satisfaction as could be Wished, on Seuenth to prety Good Satisfaction and Where Things Appeard nott so well they had Taken care ——— ——— ——— ———

Friends Appointed to Draw Epistls to the Quarterly Meetings are Uriah Morey Joseph Southwick and Timothy Davis. This Meeting Adjourns till the Seven hour to Morrow Morning

Mett According to Adjournment
The Friends Appointed to Take the Oversight of the Meeting for Worship made Report that the Meetings the Day Past Was Conducted to Pretty Good Satisfaction
Friends Appointed to Draw Epistls to the Several Quarterly Meetings Presented them to This Meeting Which were read Approved and Signed by the Clerk

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport on Rhode-Island y^e 12 of y^e 6^th mo 1767

This Meeting appoints Abraham Anthony Peter Barker, Benjamin Arnold, Abraham Tucker and Nathan Davis to take the oversight of the oversight of the Meetings for Worship during this Yearly Meeting, and make report to the several sittings of this Meetings how they are Conducted -

The Accounts from some of the Quarterly Meetg^s not appearing this Meeting adjourns to the 7^th hour to morrow morning

Mett according to adjournment -

Recei'd Accounts from the several Quarterly Meet^g^s and their Representatives -

For Rhode Island Peter Barker, Abraham Tucker and Nathaniel Green -

For Salem Benjamin Bagnall Zaccheus Collins and John Morrill

For Sandwich John Rogers Timothy Davis and Benjamin Swift

Recei'd Answers to the Queries from the Several Quarterly Meetings except Sandwich

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The Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg for Worship made report. the Meetg for day past was to good satisfaction according to their observation ——

Timothy Davis, John Morril, Nathaniel Green and Christopher Townsend are appointed draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting to be signd.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour next 2d day-morning y 15th instant —

Meett according to adjournment —

The Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read. approvd. & signd, by the Clerk — The Friends appointed to have the over-sight of the Meetings for Worship made report. That the Meetings the two days past, way in general to good satisfaction, and where it appear otherwise they had given some Advice ——

At a Yearly Meeting of Minister & Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island for New England 10th of the 6th mo 1768 —

Receiod accounts from the several Quarterly Meetgs and their Representatives are —

For Rhode Island { Solomon Hoxsie Joseph Congdon & Nathl Green

For Salem — { Zacheus Collins John Southwick Joseph Southwick —

For Sandwich { John Rogers. Nathan Davis and Timothy Davis —

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The following Certificates were read in this Meeting to Satisfaction viz ——

One on behalf of our Esteemed Friend Thomas Carlile from the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Kennet in Chester County Pensylvania dated 12th 5mo 1768

One on behalf of our Friend Aron Lancaster from a Monthly Meeting held at the Purchase in the County of Westchester New York dated 12th 5th mo 1768 — One on behalf of our Friend Joshua Shearman from a Monthly Meeting held at the Nine Partners in New York Govern.t dated 19th 5th mo 1768 —

This Meeting appoints Nathan Davis Abraham Tucker Jacobus Collins Thomas Wilbur & Benjamin Arnold to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and make report to the several Sittings of this Meeting how they are conducted. This Meeting appoints Thomas Hazard, Thomas Aldrich, John Collins & Nathaniel Green to receive & examine the Records and Papers of this Meeting and deliver such of them as are like to be of use to the present Clerk ——

This Meeting adjourns to 7th hour 12th Instant.

Met according to Adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetgs report, that they were conducted the two Days past mostly to Satisfaction, and where it appear'd otherwise care had been taken —

Friends appointed to receive & examine the Records and Papers which belong to this Meeting are

deliver them to the present Clerk made report that they have done accordingly —

Receiv'd accounts from the several Quarterly Meetgs with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meetg

Benjamin Arnold, Joseph Southwick, Thomas Hazard and Thomas Aldrich are appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meetg to be sign'd —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow Morning — met according to Adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings made report that the Meetings the Day past were conducted to pretty good Satisfaction in general, but when they was not was taken — —

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read, approv'd and sign'd by Joseph Congdon Clerk —

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island for New England the 6th day of 6th mo 1769

Receiv'd accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders, and their Representatives therein named are as follows —

For Rhode Island — James Chace, Christopher Townsend Abraham Tucker, Nath.l Greene, Thomas Hazard Thomas Wilbur, Peter Dawal, Stephen Hoxsie & John Collins —

For Sandwich. John Rogers & Timothy Davis —

For Salem — John Southwick. Zaccheus Collins Benjamin Bagnall, John Morril & Sarah Bagnall

Receiv'd the following Certificates which were read in this Meeting to good Satisfaction — viz) —

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one on behalf of our Esteemed Friend Rachel Wilson from the Monthly Meeting at Kendal in Westmorland, Old England, dated 24th 6th mo. 1768. - - ——— also one concurring therewith from the Quarterly Meeting held at Kendal aforesaid. dated. 8th 7th mo. 1768. — together with a Concurring Certificate from the Morning Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at London dated 8th 8th mo. 1768

One on behalf of our Esteemed Friend Sarah Hopkins from the Monthly Meeting held at Haddonfield in West new Jersey dated 8th 5th mo. 1767 - ——

One on behalf of our Esteemed Friend John Pemberton from the Monthly Meeting held at Philadelphia dated. from 26th 5th mo. to the 30th of the same Inclusive 1767 —

The accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders with answers to the Queries were read in this Meeting. —

Friend appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and make report to the several sittings of this Meeting are, John Morril Isaac Collins, John Rogers Benjamin Swift, Abraham Anthony, and ~~Benjamin~~ Thomas Wilbur - - -

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour in the Morning 11th Instant —

Met according to Adjournment —

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report, That the Meetings the two days past were conducted to good Satisfaction except some appearances on 7th day for which Advice was given - -

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders and give such advice as they in the Wisdom of Truth shall be led to. when they have perus'd their respective Answers are. Timothy Davis, Thō Hazard John Collins, Stephen Hoxsie, Benjamin Swift and Joseph Congdon --

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning 12th instant.

Meet according to Adjournment.

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship report. that the Meetings the Day past were conducted to Satisfaction. except an appearance in the fore part of the afternoon for which Caution was given. --

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the several select Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read approv'd & sign'd by

Joseph Congdon Clerk

At our Yearly Meeting held at Newport on Rhode Island for New England the 8th 6th mo 1770. for Ministers & Elders begining at ye 8th hour in the Morning. --

The several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders here to belonging being call'd their Representatives are. For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony, Joseph Tucker, Uriah Morey, Thomas Wilbur, Philip Frip Theophilus Shove. -- For Salem Zaccheus Collins John Sowthwick Jeremiah Hacker and Sarah Baggnall -- For Sandwich John Rogers, Nathan Davis & Timothy Davis. --

Recd Account from the several Quarterly Meetg of Ministers and Elders with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting. -- -- -- -- -- -- --

Recd from Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders the following proposals & request for stiring up the negligent and maintaining good order & decency in the Society -- Viz

Having deliberately considered the above proposals &c, do appoint our Friends Abraham Anthony Zaccheus Collins Nathan Davis John Rogers Uriah Morey & Thomas Steer to present them to the Yearly Meeting of Beginers for their consideration, the said Friends are likewise appointed to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship during the ensuing Yearly Meeting, and make report to the several Sittings of this Meeting how they are conducted ———

Recd. the following Certificates which were read in this Meeting to satisfaction (viz) One on behalf of our Friend Joshua Brown from Nottingham Monthly Meeting in Chester County Pensylvania, dated 5th 6th mo 1770 —

One on behalf of our Friend David Willits from Westbury Monthly Meeting on Long Island in the Province of New York dated 30th 5th mo — 1770 — —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour in the morning of the 10th Instant

Met according to Adjournment

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report that they were conducted the two Days past to pretty good satisfaction, except an appearance the last day, for which caution was given ——

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders and Communicate such advice as they upon perusing the Answers to the Queries shall see necessary are, Philip Frip, Thomas Hazzard, Thomas Aldrich, & John Collins, and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting to be signed — This Meeting adjourns to 7th hour to morrow morning —

Met according to Adjournment ——

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report that the Meetings the Day past were conducted to general satisfaction ——

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders presented them to this Meeting which were read, approv^d and Sign^d by the Clerk ——

This Meeting adjourns to the Close of the Meeting for buying

Met according to Adjournment ——

Rec^d a report from the Yearly Meeting of Business, in which they inform^d, that they had consider^d the proposal and request from this Meeting to their: and order^d that they be estab^d as Rule in the Society, Copies whereof the Clerk of this Meeting is directed to send to the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders and desire said Meetings to move to the Monthly Meetings to prefix time and place for holding select Meetings, according to the order of the Yearly Meeting ——

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island 14th 6th mo 1771 beginning at the 8th hour in the Morning ——

The several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders hereto belonging being call^d their Representatives are ——

For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony, John Collins, Benjamin Arnold, Thomas Steer Thomas Hazard, Jonathan Macey Isaac Lawton Caleb Earl & Patience Easton ——

For Salem Benjamin Bagnall, John Morrill, John Southwick & Jeremiah Hacker ——

For Sandwich Nathan Davis and Samuel Bowerman

Rec^d accounts from the several select Quarterly Meet^gs with

with answers to the Queries which were read in this Meetg

Our Friends Abraham Anthony John Morrill Nathan Davis, Benjamin Arnold, and Jonathan Macey are appointed to have the oversight of the ensuing Meetings for Worship and make report to the several adjournments of this Meeting how they are conducted ——

This meeting adjourns to the 3d hour this afternoon

Met according to adjournment —

The Committee appointed at the several following general Meetings viz Dartmouth, Swanzey, Southkingstown and Acoakset gave in their returns, according to the order of last yearly Meetg: — Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the Several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders and Communicate such Counsel as they upon perusing the Answers to the Queries shall find necessary are Thomas Hazard, John Rogers Paul Russell, Jeremiah Thacher & James Mitchel & they to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting —

This Meeting adjourns to next 2d Day at the Conclusion of the Meeting of Business —

Met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings for Worship made report by which it appears the Meetings were conducted for the most part to satisfaction and where any thing appeard to the Contrary care had been taken & Caution given —

Epistles to the several select Quarterly Meetings were read and approvd in this Meeting and Signd by —

Isaac Lawton Clerk this time

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island 12th 6th mo 1772 — The several select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being Call'd their Representatives present are — For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony Abraham Tucker Ephraim Congdon Jonathan Macey Benjamin Arnold Edward upton John Collins Joshua Peval Ann Mitchel & Mary Calender — For Salem John Southwick Jeremiah Hacker and Sarah Bagnall — For Sandwich John Rogers Nathan Davis and Jeremiah Austin ——

This Meeting appoints our Friends Abraham Anthony John Rogers Jeremiah Hacker Jonathan Macey, Isaac Lawton Thomas Steere Benjamin Arnold Sarah Bagnal and Sarah Barney to have the oversight of the Meetings for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and make report to the several sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morng

Met according to adjournment

Recd Accounts from the several select Quarterly Meetings with answers to the Queries which were read in this Meetg

Friends appointed at the several select Meetings to have the oversight of the General Meetings held at Nantucket Sandwich, Greenwich, Smithfield Swanzey, Dartmouth Acoakett and Southkingstown make report to this Meetg agreable to the order of the Yearly Meeting —

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several select Quarterly Meetings are Edward Shove, Jonathan Macey, Eber Chase, Joshua Peval & John Rogers who are desired to bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting to be sign'd

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg for Worship report that the Meetgs the Day past was Conducted to pretty good Satisfaction.

This Meetg adjourns to the 7th hour next 2d day morning —— Met according to adjournment

Friends

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg.
for Worship report, that the Meeting on 7th Day & first Day
Day to their observation were conducted to pretty good
satisfaction ——

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the Select Quar
terly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were
read approv. and Signd the Clerk ——

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport
on Rhode Island 7th 6th mo - 1773 - The several Select Quarterly
Meetings hereto belonging being call'd the Representatives present
are - From Rhode Island — Abraham Anthony, James Chace
Ephraim Congdon, Benjamin Arnold, Job Anthony, John Collins
Joshua Deval, Joseph Mitchel Ann Mitchel & Mary Callender
From Salem - John Southwick, Joseph Southwick Jerimiah
Flacker & Samuel Collins ——
From Sandwich John Rogers, Benjamin Swift & David Bow
=erman, ——

This Meting appoint our Friends James Mitchel Joseph
Tucker, Benjamin Swift, Abraham Anthony, John Rogers
Joseph Mitchel, Benjamin Arnold & James Chace to have
the oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly
Meeting and make report to the several Adjournments of
this Meeting how they are conducted. ——

This Meeting adjourn to the 8th hour to morrow morning

Met according to Adjournment - -

Jerimiah Austin Representative from Sandwich and Abijah
Newhall From Salem did not attend untill this Adjournm.
Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg. report
that.

that the Meeting Yesterday according to their Observation was to pretty good Satisfaction ——

Recd Accounts from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting and as there appears many Weaknesses & Deficiencies. such Members in whom they appear are earnestly prest. & Dejr. to be more faithful for time to Come in living up more fully to our Profession —

Jeremiah Hacker. Thomas Lapham, & Mary Tarnum — are appointed to draw Epistles to the Sever Select Quarterly Mettgs & Communicate such necessary advice as they in the the Wisdom of Truth shall think necessary and prest them to the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour next 2d Day morning ——— Met according to adjournment

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship. report. that the Meeting the two Days past were Conducted mostly to good Satisfaction, & where it was otherwise care was taken, Recd. Accts from the Select Meetings of Nantucket, Greenwich, Swansey and South Kingstown, informing that their General Meetings were conducted mostly to pretty good Satisfaction and where it appeard otherwise care was taken —

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Mettg which were read approved & Signd in this Meeting by the Clerk ———

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island the 10th 8th mo. 1774 — The several Select Quarterly Meetgs hereto belonging being called, their Representatives present are —

For Rhode Island Abraham Anthony, Thomas Aldrich, Jonath Macey Benjamin Arnold, Job Anthony Stephen Hoxsie, Joshua Daval Ann Mitchel Mary Calender, and Sarah Barney

For Salem Jeremiah Hacker, Samuel Collins and Joseph Southwick. —

For Sandwich Timothy Davis, Jeremiah Austin and David Bowerman —

This Meeting appoints Abraham Anthony — Jeremiah Hacker, Jeremiah Austin Joseph Mitchel James Chace Ann Mitchel Lydia Chace & Sarah Barney to have the Care & oversight of the enjoining Meetings for Worship and to make report to the several adjournment of this Meetg:

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th Hour to morrow morng.

Met according to Adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg. for Worship report that the Meeting the day past was conducted to good Satisfaction —

Recd. Accts. from the several select Quarterly Meetgs with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting —

Our Friends Thomas Lapham, Moses Farnum Ebenr Chace Joseph Congdon, Joseph Mitchel John Collins & Phillip Trip are appointed to draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetgs and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting to be signd. recommending such advice as by the Answers to the Queries shall appear necessary this —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour next 2d day morning

Met according to Adjournment

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report, that the Meetings on Seventh day last & first day was conducted to Satisfaction except an appearance in the Meeting on Seventh Day - upon which Account care was taken and advice given - ——

Recd Accounts from the several Select Meetings that are held preceding the General Meetings held within the Quarterly Meeting of Rhode Island which were read in this Meeting ——

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read approvd and Signd by the Clerk ——

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island 4th & 5th mo - 1775 - The several Select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being called their Representatives are --

For Rhode Island, Abraham Anthony, John Collins -
Eber Chace, Jonathan Macey, Joshua Duval,
& Ephraim Congdon ——

For Salem -- Jeremiah Hacker & Joseph Southwick

For Sandwich John Rogers Jeremiah Austin and
Nathan Davis ——

Recd accounts from the several Select Quarterly Meeting hereto belonging ——

We appoint our Friends Abraham Anthony John Rogers Jeremiah Hacker, Elisha Thornton, and Nathan Davis to have the oversight of the ensuing Yearly Meeting in the several sittings thereof and to make return to the Adjournments of this

This Meeting —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour tomorrow Morning.

Met according to adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship report, that the Meeting the Day past was conducted to good Satisfaction — Recd. Account from the several Select Quarterly Meetings with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting; and as it appears by said Acct. that there are several Deficiencies yet remaining Fr. who draw the Epistles to the Select Quarterly Meetings are desired to advise accordingly, By Accts. recd. from Nantucket, Greenwich and ~~Hartford~~ Aponagansett. The the General Meetings at them places were Conducted in general to Satisfaction, tho. not altogether so. —

Swansey and Acoakset report that the General Meetings held there were not conducted to Satisfaction —

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings and bring them to the adjournment of this Meeting to be Signd are Thomas Hazard, Thomas Lapham, Joseph Mitchel & Moses Farnum. —

This Meeting adjourns to 9 hour next 2d day Morning

Met according to Adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship report, that according to their observation, the Meetings the two Days past were conducted to good Satisfaction —

Friend appointed to draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read approved & signd by the Clerk ———

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministry & Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island 14th 6th mo 1776 — The several Select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being called their Representatives are —

For Rhode Island. Abraham Anthony, Thomas Steer, Thomas Aldrich, Job Anthony, Jonathan Macy, Joshua Deval, and John Collins —

For Sandwich, John Rogers, Benjamin Swift, Jeremiah Austin and Daniel Wing —

For Salem — Samuel Collins & Jeremiah Hacker —

Receivd Accounts from the several Select Quarterly Meetings with Answers to the Queries. The reading of which Answers &c. is referd to the adjournment of this Meeting —

Our Friends Thomas Steer, Isaac Lawton, Jeremiah Austin, John Rogers, Jonathan Macy, Jeremiah Hacker, Lydia Chace and Sarah Barney are appointed to have the oversight of the publick meetings for Worship during this Yearly Meeting, and make report to the several adjournments hereof how they are & how they are conducted —

This Meeting adjourns to the 5th hour next first day Morning — — —

Met according to adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report, that according to their Observation, they were conducted to pretty good Satisfaction, and where they apprehended their care needful, they have extended —

The Answers to the Queries from the several Select Quarterly Meetings were read in this Meeting, and may there appear several deficiencies the Friends who draw Epistles are desired to advise accordingly

Receivd an Act from Nantucket signifying that their general Meeting held last past was conducted in a good degree orderly — —

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our Friends Thomas Hazard, Jonathan Dow, Benjamin Swift Thomas Lapham, Joseph Mitchel & Jonathan Macey are appointed to draw Epistles to the several Quarterly Meetings and bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting to be Signd ——

This Meeting adjourns to the close of the Yearly Meeting for Buisiness ——

Met by adjournment 18. 6th mo — 1776 ——

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the meeting for Worship report, That they think the Meetings have been conducted mainly to Satisfaction, Notwithstanding which, there hath been somewhat disagreeable thereto, on which account they had endeavour to discharge themselves according to the trust reposed in them —

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings, presented them to this Meeting which were read, approvd, and Signd by the Clerk ——————

The buisiness of the Meeting being gone through and Friends being Measurably Favourd with divine regard through the several past Sittings thereof, under a thankful sence whereof according to our Measure, we conclude this Meeting, Intending if the Lord permit to meet again next Year at this Season ——

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Smithfield for New-England 13th 6th mo — 1777 — The several Select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being calld their Representatives appearing are —

For Rhode Island: Thomas Steere, Jonathan Macey, John Collins, William Mosier, Thomas Aldrich, Joshua Deval, Eber Chace, Margaret Smith & Elizabeth Tarnum ——

For Salem: Jeremiah Hacker, Abraham Dow, Jos: Southwick, James Neal, Peace Purington & Mehittable Jenkins

For Sandwich: John Rogers, Jeremiah Austin, Danl King & Benj Swift Recd

Recvd. Accts. from the several Select Quarterly Meetings here to be held with answers to the Queries. The reading of the Answers is refer'd to the adjournment of this Meeting —

Our Friends Thomas Hazard. Elisha Thornton. Joseph Mitchell James Neal Peace Purington & Sarah Tearney are appointed to draw Epistles to the Select Quarterly Meetings & bring them to the Adjournment of this Meeting —

This Meeting appoints. Thomas Steere Joshua Peval. Jeremy Hacker. Benjamin Arnold. Jeremiah Austin. Jonathan Macy Thomas Lapham jnr. George Smith. Mar the Comstock Elizabeth Jamum, Ruth Southwick. to have the oversight of the publick Meetings for Worship during the Continuance of this Yearly meeting and report to the Adjournment of this Meeting —

Adjourn'd, to the 9th hour to morrow Morning —

Met by Adjournment —

The Answers to the Queries were read, are the Friends to Draw Epistles are desired to remark the Deficiencies therein —

Adjourn'd, to the 9th hour on Second Day next —

16th Day met by Adjournment —

Recei'd an acct from Nantucket. Signifying that the General Meeting held there for Worship last year was in the general conducted pretty well — The Friends to have the oversight of the Yearly Meet. report. by which it appears that the several Meetings were conducted in the general to Satisfaction and the few Instances where it was otherwise care was generally taken — This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour to morrow morning — 17th day met by Adjournment —

Friends to draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings presented them which being read were approv'd of & sign'd by Thomas Lapham jnr. Clerk this time —

A Letter from this Meeting to Timothy Davis was read approv'd and sign'd by the Clerk who is desired to transcribe the same and forward it the first opportunity —

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Smithfields upper House for New England 12th 6th mo 1778 —

The several Select Quarterly Meetings being called The Representatives are

From Rhode Island. Jonathan Macy, Moses Farnum, Thomas Hazard, Paul Greene, Thomas Steere, Joshua Doval, Susanna Smith Elizabeth Farnum, & Patience Brayton —

From Salem — No written Acct. but by verbal information the Representatives are Joseph Southwick, James Neal, Sam.l Collins, Jeremiah Hacker, Rebekah Jenkins, Peace Purinton & Timothy Pierley — and that Joshua Folsome & Samuel Collins Junr were also appointed but did not attend by reason of Indisposition of body ——

From Sandwich. John Rogers, Jeremiah Austin, Benjamin Swift and David Bowerman. who are all present except one from Sandwich Quarter and no particular Reason from him for his neglect, the Representatives from that Quarter are desired to speake to him to send the reason of his not attending to our next Yearly Meeting — This Meeting adjourns to the 8th Hour to morrow morning — — met by Adjournment ——

Received Accounts from Rhode Island & Sandwich Quarterly Select Meeting with Answers to the Queries —— The reason that no Acct came from Salem appears to be that the Accounts were left with the Clerk, who lives in Boston, and the Representatives hearing that the Small Pox was in that Town came not that way as usual, so the Acct missed of being brot up —

The Representatives are desired to be careful in that respect for the future —

After reading the Accts & Answers the meeting proceeded to appoint our Friends Moses Farnum, Elisha Thornton, Thomas Hazard, Jeremiah Hacker, Jeremiah Austin & Susanna Smith & Elisabeth Farnum to draw Epistles to the several Quarters and bring to the Adjournment of this Meeting — —

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Our Friends Thomas Steere Adam Harkness, Benjamin Arnold
John Casey Elijah Jenkins, Thomas Wilbur Stephen Morril Martha
Comstock Abigail Harris, Elizabeth Tarnum & Mary Hanson are
appointed to have the oversight of the publick Meet.g for Worship
during the Continuance of this Yearly Meeting, and report to the
adjournment of this Meeting — ——

Adjourn.d to 9.th hour next 2.d Day Morning

15 Day. Met by adjournment and after waiting some time
and being favour.d therein, proceeded upon Buginess and Receiv.d an
Epist. from Nantucket Signifying that the General Meeting held
there last Year for Worship was conducted in a good degree orderly

The Friends to have the oversight of the Meeting Report by
which it appears that the Meetings according to their Observation
were in the general conducted to Satisfaction and the few Instances
to the Contrary were taken care of —

The Friends to draw Epistles to the several Quarters having
presented them which being read were approv.d of and Sign.d by
Thomas Lapham Jun.r Clerk this time —

This Meeting adjourn.d to the 9.th hour to morrow morn.g

16.th Day met by adjournment —

The buginess of the Meeting being gone through
and Friends having been Measurably favour.d with divine
regard through the several Sitting thereof, under a thankful
Sense whereof (according to our measure) we conclude this
Meeting, intending if the Lord permit to meet again next
Year at this Season ——

At our Select Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
for New-England at Smithfield upper house 11.th 6.th mo. 1779 —

The several select Quarterly Meetings being call.d the —
Representatives are —

For —

For Rhode Island. Thomas Steer Joseph Mitchel Paul Green William Mosier Thomas Wilbur Shubal Coggin Mary Mary Mitchel Margaret Smith Patience Brayton & Deborah Hayden ——

For Salem. Abraham Dow Jeremiah Hacker Joshua Folsom Samuel Collins. Joseph Southwick, Peace Purinton & Hope Scammon ——

For Sandwich None. The Representatives being call'd are all present except two. whose excuses were mentioned in this Meeting to Satisfaction ——

Our Friend Solomon Underhill produced a Copy of a Minute of the Yearly Meeting held at Westbury 29th 5th mo. 1779. approving of his intention of being at this Yearly Meeting which was read to Satisfaction ——

Jeremiah Austin reported to this Meeting that he spoke to Benjamin Swift respecting his not attending the Yearly Meeting last Year, and that he acknowledged he had not a sufficient excuse for his neglect and was sorry for it ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour tomorrow morning

Met according to adjournment ——

Recd. accounts from the Select Quarterly meeting of Rhode Island & Salem with Answers to the Queries which Acct's were read in this Meeting. also the Acct from Salem Last Year which did not then come to hand. ——

Our Friends Thomas Steer Benjamin Arnold. Thomas Wilbur Stephen Morril. Jeremiah Austin Jonathan Macy Martha Comstock Hope Scammon. Elizabeth Morril & Abigail Harris are appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and report to the several adjournments of this Meeting how they are Conducted ——

Our Friends Moses Farnum Elisha Thornton Jeremiah Hacker Jonathan Macy and Joshua Deval are appointed to Draw Epistles

Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meeting and bring them to the adjournment of this meeting - - -

Adjourn'd to 8th hour next 2d day morning - - -

14th Day Met according to Adjournment -

The Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting report - that the Meeting held at Smithfield upper house & at Uxbridge were to their observation conducted to satisfaction in a good degree and that the Mtg held at the Lower House in Smithfield was not so orderly Conducted as could be desired. and that Care was taken where it appeard needful -

Friends appointed to draw Epistles to the sever Select Quarterly meetings presented them to this Meeting which were read approved and Sign'd by the Clerk -

receiv'd an Acct from the the Select Meeting of Nantucket informing that their last General Meeting for Worship was conducted to a good degree of Satisfaction -

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers Elders held at Newport on Rhode Island for New England 9th 6th mo 1780 -

The Representatives present from the several Quarterly Select Mtgs are -

For Rhode Island. Benjamin Arnold. Thomas Hazard Thomas Aldrich -

For Salem - Joshua Tolsome. Stephen Morril Jeremiah Hacker, Samll Collins. Peter Morril Jr & Anna Hacker - - -

For Sandwich - None by appointment : -

A Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Gwynedd in the County of Philadelphia. Pensylvania dated. 25. 4th mo 1780 in behalf of our Friend John Lloyd. was read in this Mtg to Satisfaction -

This Meeting appoints our Friends Benjamin Arnold Thomas Wilber James Mitchel. Jeremiah Hacker Stephen Morril Jeremiah Austin Anna Hacker & Mary Lawton - - to -

to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly Meeting and make report to the several sittings of this Meeting how they are conducted —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour tomorrow morning

10th Day Met by Adjournment — —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship report that according to their Observation the Meetg yesterday was Conducted to general Satisfaction —

Receivd accts from the Select Quarterly Meeting of Rhode-Island & Salem with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting. —

Receivd an Act from the Select Meeting of Nantucket informing that the general Meeting held there last Year for Worship was conducted to general Satisfaction —

Our Friends Isaac Lawton, Elisha Thornton, Jonathan Dame Jonathan Macey, Deborah Slade and Isaac Parrington, are appointed to Draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings and Communicate such advice as shall appear necessary upon perusing the several accts, and present them to the Adjournmt of this Meeting.

Adjournd to the 8th hour next day morning 12th Instant.

12th Day met by Adjournment —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg report that the Meeting yesterday both fore & after noon were conducted to General Satisfaction except the first appearance in the afternoon they had sought an Opportunity of Conferance on the Occasion but could not obtain it. —

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the several Quarterly here to belonging presented them at this meeting which were read approvd, and signd by the Clerk ———

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Smithfield for New-England 8th: 6th mo: 1781 ——

The Representatives appearing from the several Select Quarterly Meetings are ——

For Rhode Island — Thomas Aldrich, Isaac Lawton, Thomas Hazard, George Smith, Eber Chace, Sujanna Aldrich, Hannah Chace & — — Mary Mitchel attended at the Adjournm.

For Salem — Stephen Morril, Jonathan Dame, Jeremiah Hacker, Jacob Rowel, James Neal, John Winslow, Mercy Dame, Anna Hacker, Anna Rowel, Michetable Jenkins & Elizabeth Morril ——

For Sandwich — None by appointment ——

The following Certificates were read in this Meeting to Satisfaction —— viz.

One on behalf our Friend James Thornton from Abington monthly Meet.g in the Province Pensylvania dated 19th 3mo 1781

One on behalf of our Friend Sam.l Smith from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting for the Northern district, dated 17th 4mo 1781

One on behalf of our Friend Benedict Carpenter from the Monthly Meeting held at Harrisons Purchase in the Province of Newyork dated 12th 10mo 1780 ——

One on behalf of our Friend Elizabeth Height from the Monthly Meeting at the Nine partners in the Province of Newyork dated 18th 5mo 1781

Also a Coppy of a Minute of the Monthly Meeting held at Oblong Newyork Govournment y.e 16th & 17th Days of 5th mo 1781 on behalf of our Friend Thomas Comstock Signifying their approbation of his attending this & some other adjacent Meet.gs

Our Friends Benjamin Congdon Benjamin Arnold Tho.s Aldrich William Mosier Elisha Thornton Jeremiah Hacker Abigail Harris Deborah Slade Anna Hacker Mary Lawton, Sujanna Aldrich & Mercy Dame are appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting for Worship during this Yearly Meeting, and make report to the

the Several Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour to morrow morning the Ninth Instant —

9th Day Met by Adjournment —

A Certificate in behalf of our Friend Thomas Corrington from New-Garden monthly Meeting in Chester County Pensylvania — dated 7th 3mo 1781 Signifying their unity with his present Visit to this Meeting was read to Satisfaction — —

Also a Certificate in behalf of our Friend David Cooper from the Monthly Meeting of Haddonfield in New-Jersey dated — 9th 4th mo 1781 Signifying their unity with his present Visit to these parts was read to Satisfaction — —

Likewise a Certificate in behalf of our Friend George Church man from Nottingham Monthly Meeting Cecil County Maryland dated 31st 3mo 1781 Signifying their unity with his attending this Meeting, was read to Satisfaction — —

Likewise a Certificate in behalf of our Friend Warner Mifflin from Duckreek Monthly Meeting in Kent County on Delawar dated 28th & 29th days 4th mo 1781 Signifying their unity with his attending this Meeting was read to Satisfaction —

This Meeting Adjourns to the 9th hour next 2d day morning 9th 11th Instant — 1st Day met according to Adjournment —

The Representatives all present — Friends appointed to have to have the oversight of the Meetings for Worship not being ready to Report this Meeting adjourns to 9th 8th hour to morrow Morning at which time they are desired to make report according to their Appointment — —

12th Day met by Adjournment Representatives all present Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetings for Worship report that according to their Observation they were conducted in the main to Satisfaction —

Receiv'd an Acct from the Select Meeting of Nantucket dated 26th 6th 1780 informing that their Yearly Meeting for Worship was Conducted to general Satisfaction —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour to morrow morning

13th Day met by Adjournment

Representatives all Present except Hanna Chace who was prevented on account of Sickness — —

Receiv'd Accts from the Select Quarterly except Sandwich with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Mtg and from a Sence of the Weak State of Society as appear'd by said Accts a Concern hath been very apparent in this Mtg that a renewed engagement might be entered into for a reformation, That Friends, more Especially those of the foremost rank might endeavour to be divested of every thing that retards their being useful in their Days & the Clerk is directed to forward a Coppey of this Minute to the Several Select Quarterly Meetings — — —

And having been measurably favoured through the several sittings of this Meeting with divine regard — The Meeting at this time under a renewed Sence thereof in humble thankfulness to the Author concludes intending if the Lord permit to meet again next Year agreable to the Conclusion of the Yearly Meeting ——

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders — began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 12th 6th mo 1782 — Representatives appointed by the Several Quarterly Meeting of Ministers & Elders to attend this Meeting are — For Rhode Island Isaac Lawton David Buffum Eber Chace Thomas Hazard, Philip Tripp Tho[illegible] Norwich, Willm Rosier Mary Mitchel Elizabeth Mott

Stephen

Suzanna Aldrich Hannah Chace & Mary Lawton —

For Salem — Joshua Folsome, Jeremiah Hacker Daniel Newall, Stephen Morrill, Samuel Collins & Elizabeth Morrell —

For Sandwich Jeremiah Austin Jonathan Macey Jethro Mitchel & William Rotch —

all present Except David Buffum Samuel Collins Jonathan Macey Jethro Mitchel & William Rotch

This Meeting is informed that David Buffums Absence is occasioned by Sickness in his Family —

Recd. Acct from the several select Quarterly Meetings with answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting — It being proposed by Rhode Island Select Quarterly Meeting to the Consideration of this Meeting, whether it might not be useful to revise the Queries belonging to this Meeting. Whereupon Jeremiah Austin Isaac Lawton Benjamin Arnold Joshua Folsome Jeremiah Hacker Stephen Morril John Baily, Thubal Coffin, Thomas Hazard, Mary Mitchel Elizabeth Mott. Mary Baily Sarah Barney & Elizabeth Morrell are appointed to take that matter in to Consideration and if it appears useful to make any alteration in the Queries. That they make an Essay thereto and present to the Adjournment of this Meeting —

This meeting appoints Benjamin Arnold George Comstock Jeremiah Hacker, Jeremiah Austin Jonathan Dame Sarah Barney, Mary Mitchel 2d Lydia Chace and Suzanna Aldrich to take the oversight of the Meetg for

for Worship during the Yearly Meeting & report to the
several Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted ——
This Meeting adjourns till next 4th day morning y 15th Instant
to meet at Newport at the 8th hour ——
16th Day Met according to adjournment ——
Saml Collins, Jonathan Macey, Jethro Mitchel & Willm
Rotch attended this Sitting ——
Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings for
for Worship report that according to their Sence the Meeting
yesterday was conducted orderly & to Satisfaction ——
The Committe appointed to Consider Whether it might
be useful to make any alterations in the Queries report
an Essay of an alteration to this Meeting which is referd
to the Adjournment for further Consideration ——
This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour in the Morning
next 2d Day - 17th Instant.
17th Day Met by adjournment —
Representatives all present that attended the preceding Meetg
Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting report
That according to their Sence & Judgment the Meetings ——
yesterday were conducted mostly to Satisfaction and where
it appeard otherwise care has been taken & advice given
The Essay reported to this Meeting at a former Sitting
in regard to an alteration of the Queries being herein Consi
=dered, and the alteration proposed not altogether easy to the
minds of Friends. We therefore appoint Saml Collins, Jonathan
Macey, William Rotch, George Comstock, Sarah Barney
Lydia Chace, Mary Baily with the Clerk of this Meetg
to make such alterations as may likely make Friends
minds easy. therewith and make an Essay of the Necessary
Information to the Select Quarterly Meetg and report to
the adjournment of this Meetg: which is y 8th hour To morro
morning ... met

Met according to Adjournment — —

This Meeting adjourns to the Conclusion of the Meeting for Business — Met according to adjournment

There not being time to finish the business this Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning — —

Met by Adjournment —

The Essay reported to a former sitting of this Meeting respecting an alteration of our Queries being again under Consideration it is Concluded that the 3 and 7th Querie be alterd in the following manner Viz 3d Query Are Ministers & Elders in their Lives in their Lives and Conversation clean & blameless among men, adorning the Doctrine & Advice they deliver to others being examples of the Believers in Word, in Conversation in Charity in Spirit in Faith in Purity. —

7th Querie Do none travel on a Religious visit out of the Compass of the Quarterly Meeting they belong to without a Certificate from their Monthly Meeting —

The Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings were read approvd & signd in this Meetg by the Clerk —

The following Certificates were read in this Meetg to satisfaction

One in behalf of our Frd Wm Jackson from newgarden Monthly Meetg Chester County Pensylvania dated 10th 1st mo 1781 also a Copy of a Minute in his behalf from sd Mo Meetg dated 3d 2mo 1781

One on behalf of our Friend George Dylwing from Burlington Monthly Meetg dated 4th 3mo 1782 — —

One on behalf of our Friend Sarah Hampton dated at Plainfield Monthly Meeting for Rahway & Plainfield dated 18th 4mo 1782 Signifying the approbation of the Several Monthly Meetgs above with the above named Friends in their present Visit to these parts —

At our Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England 12th 6th mo 1783 —

The Representatives appointed by the several Select Quarterly Meetings are —

For Rhode Island Thomas Hazard, Isaac Lawton, Benja Arnold, Thomas Aldrich, Daniel Aldrich, Abner Potter, Sarah Rathbone & Mary Mitchel 2 — —

For Salem Joshua Folsome, Jonathan Dame, John Wiswall, Jame Collins, Stephen Morril, Anna Hacker, Elizabeth Varney, & Mercy Dame, — —

For Sandwich Jeremiah Austin, Jonathan Macy, John Russ, Jethro Mitchel, Hezekiah Harbuck & John Bailey; who being call'd are all present —

A Certificate dated East Hoosuck 12th 12th mo 1782 in behalf of our Friend Robert Nisbet, signifying their unity with him in his visit to Friends in these parts, was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction — Recd Copies of 2 minutes from the Select Meeting of Nantucket which inform that the general Meeting held there in 1781 & 1782 were conducted mostly to Satisfaction and where it appeard otherwise care had been taken

Recd Accts from the several Select Quarterly Meetings and Answers to the Queries from Salem & Sandwich which were read in this Meeting — Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings through the several sittings of the Ensuing Yearly Meeting, and report to the several Adjournments of this Meeting how they are Conducted are Benjamin Arnold, James Mitchel, Jonathan Dame, Jethro Mitchel, Mary Mitchel 2, Sarah Rathbon, Anna Hacker & Mary Rogers —

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the several Select Quarterly Meetings Advising as occasion may require & Truth may open the way are Isaac Lawton, Elisha Thornton, Samll Collins, Jonathan Macy, Lowis Barney, Mary Mitchel & Lowis Maley — — —

and report to an Adjournment of this Meting — —

This Meting Adjourns to the 8th hour next 7th day morning 14th Instant at Newport —

14th Day met by Adjournment —

Representatives being call'd are all present — —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meting report that it is their Sence and Judgment that the Gathering of the Meeting yesterday and the Dull Situation of the fore part thereof was not Satisfactory, the latter part thereof to pretty good Satisfaction but where it appeard otherwise Some Care was taken, which appeard to be kindly accepted —

This meeting adjourns to the 8th hour next 2d Day morng 16th Instt

16 Day mett by Adjournment —

Representatives being call'd are all Present except such as were on Committee —

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Mett'g for Worship report that in their Sence the Meeting in the fore noon Yesterday was mostly to Satisfaction and where it was otherwise care was taken. The meeting in the afternoon was to pretty good Satisfaction —

This Meting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morng 17th Instant —

17th Day mett by Adjournment —

Representatives being Call'd were all present —

Our Friend Mehetable Jenkins produced a Certificate from the Monthly Meeting held at Berwick for Dover dated 14th 5th mo — 1783 — Signifying their Approbation of and unity with her intended Visit to the Churches in Several parts of this Continent, as New York Government the Jersies & Pensylvania, also to Several parts of Europe

with

With the Concurrence thereto of the Quarterly Meeting held at Salem 6th & 7th days of this present mo.th — Our said Friend also laying her Concern before this Meeting, and after Solid Consideration thereon we unite therewith and approve the Certificate produced and the same was signified on her Certificate & Sign.d in this Meeting by the Clerk ——

Friends appointed to Draw Epistles to the Several Select Quarterly Meetings produced them to this Meeting which after being several times read and some alterations made were approved & sign.d by the Clerk — — ——

At our Yearly Meeting ~~held~~ of Ministers and Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England the 10th of 9th mo - 1784 - The Friends appointed Representatives by the several Select Quarterly Meetings are ——

For Rhode Island - Thomas Hazard, Joseph Mitchel - Abner Potter, Mary Mitchel & Desire Langford & Mary Wilbur ——

For Salem - Elizah Jenkins, Jeremiah Hacker Joshua Fulsome, & John Winslow —

For Sandwich John Russel, Richard Dillano John Baily & Hezekiah Harbuck —

Who being called were all present except Desire Langford Elijah Jenkins & John Baily - the two former this meeting is informed are detained by Sickness in their Families —

The following Certificates were read in this Meeting to Satisfaction viz —

One in behalf of our Friend David Sands dated at the Creek Monthly Meeting in Nine partners 21st day 5th mo 1784

one

One in behalf of our Friend Tiddeman Hull from the same place of the same Date ——

One in behalf of our Friend Samuel Hopkins dated at a Monthly Meeting held at Philadelphia at the Bank Meetinghouse for the Northern district 25th 5mo 1784 and One in behalf of our Friend Thomas Scattergood of the same place & same date ——

Recd Accts with Answers to the Queries from the several select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging. Which were read, by which it appears their is great Weakness and many Deficiencies amongst the Members which belong to this Meeting, and being desirous that a renewed engagement may be witnessed amongst us do appoint our Friends Hezekiah Starbuck Benjamin Arnold George Comstock David Buffum Joseph Mitchel Mary Mitchel, Sarah Barney Elizabeth Mott & Sarah Rathbone to take said Accts and solidly consider the State of Them and report to the Adjournment of this Meeting what way may be the most likely to stir up Friends to more care & Circumspection and report to the adjournment of this Meeting ——

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetg for Worship and of the Ministry in the Meeting for Business during this Yearly Meeting are ——

James Mitchel Jonathan Macey George Comstock Hezekiah Starbuck Mary Mitchel 2. Mary Lawton & Mercy Dunn and they to make report to the several Sittings of this Meeting how they are Conducted ——

this

This Meet[g] adjourn[d] to the 5[th] hour next 5[th] Day morn[g]
12[th] Instant to meet at Newport ——

12[th] Day met according to adjournment ——

John Baily who was absent at the former sitting of
this Meeting is now present ——

Joseph Mitchel not being prest the meeting is
inform[d] that he is prevented by Sickness ——

Friends appointed to have the oversight of y[e] Meet[g]s
report that according to their Sence the meetings
were orderly Conducted in general, and where there
was any appearance otherwise Care was taken

Friends appointed to Consider the State of the
Accounts sent up to this Meeting from the several
Select Quarterly Meetings, and to give their Sence
of what may be the most probable method to
remedy the Deficiencies therein mentioned
made report which is accepted and is as follows.

We your Comtte to Consider what may be best to be
done in regard to the deficiencies noted in the Accts
from the several Select Quarterly Mettings having
had Consideration thereon, do give it as our Sence
that the Select Yearly Meeting appoint a Committe
to visit the several Select Quarterly Meetings, &
recommend it to them the appointing Committees
to visit the several Select meeting belonging to
each Monthly Meeting and to put them in mind
that more Qualified Friends under the appointm[t]
of Elders would be useful or otherwise advise
and assist as they in the Wisdom of Truth may
be enabled. Sign[d] on behalf of the Com[tt] by

To the Select Yearly Meet[g] now sitting } George Comstock
Mary Mitchel

And Friends are desired to stand open to receive and unite with said Committee in their Labors for a reformation, and the advancement of the Cause of Truth and Righteousness and the Clerk is desired to furnish

Which report is referd to an adjournment of this Meeting for further proceeding.—

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour next 2d Day morning 14th Instant—

the 14th Day met according to Adjournment The report presented to a former Sitting of this Meetg by the Committee appointed to consider the State of the accounts sent up to this Meeting, coming again under Consideration it is concluded to appoint a Committee as there in proposed, And our Friends David Buffum Isaac Lawton George Smith Jonathan Dame Jethro Mitchel, Jeremiah Hacker Jonathan Macy Mercy Dame Mary Mitchel 2d & Sarah Barney, are appointed to Visit the Several Select Quarterly Meetings here to belonging and advise & assist them as recommended in the report aforesaid and the Clerk is directed to furnish said Committee with a Copy of the proceedings of this Meeting in regard to d Acct—

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning 15th Instant.——

15th day met by Adjournment ——

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetgs report. That according to their Since they have been orderly conducted in a good

degree, and that these Meetings have in measure been favour'd with divine regard and Publick Testimonies generally satisfactory and where it was otherwise Care was taken — — —

And in as much as it hath pleased Heaven by good to attend us in these several past Sittings of this Meeting measurably uniting our Hearts in Harmonious Labour for the Cause of Truth, and feeling the same covering to attend [redacted] at this Sitting, desire therein to conclude the service of this Meeting (if the Lord will) to meet again next year at time and place as we have this present year —

At a yearly Meeting for Ministers & Elders held at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New England — 9th 6th mo 1785 —

The Representatives named in the accounts from the several select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging are —

For Rhode Island Thomas Hazard. Jacob Mott — Ebenezer Davis Thomas Lapham Mary Mitchel 2d. Desire Lankford Sabah Hoxsie & Susanna Aldrich —

For Salem — Jeremiah Hacker John Winslow John Tabor & Hannah Dow —

Sandwich Jethro Mitchel John Baily John Russel Shubal Coffin & Lowit Macey — —

Several of whom are absent we apprehend by reason of its being a very stormy season —

The Clerk of this meeting being absent supposed by reason of the Storm. Elisha Thornton is appointed

Clerk for this time ——

Thomas Lapham Moses Brown Hezekiah Harbuck John Tabor George Comstock Desire Langford Mary Mitchel 2d & Susanna Aldrich are appointed to have the oversight of the Meting for Worship & Ministry in the meeting for Bajing. through the Several Sittings of the enjuing Yearly Meetg and report to the Adjournment of this Meeting ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour on 7th day morning next at Newport ——

11th Day met by adjournment ——

Representatives Calld were all present at this Sitting

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings report. that according to their Sence it was Conducted orderly and the Publick Offerings were to good satisfaction ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour next 2d day morning 13th Instant ——

13th Day. met according to Adjournment

Representatives Calld were all present ——

This Meetg adjourns to the 8th hour to morrow morning ——

Met according to adjournment

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the meeting report which is accepted & is as follow. (Wit) According to our Sence the gathering of the after-noon Meeting yesterday, by differantly understanding the time of Meeting was very Irregular, and being Crouded more moving in the Gallery Seats than in future would be best. both which we apprehend were hurtful in attention to these matters at our first Meetg in

in future we think would be useful —

The State of the Meeting yesterday appeared, That ther
dull & heavy yet the Testimonies of the Ministry were satisfac
=tory. as have also been those in the Meetings of Discipline

Signd in behalf of the Comte
15th 6mo 1785 —
Thomas Lapham
Mary Mitchel 2d

Some of the Friends appointed at our last Select Yearly
Meeting to visit the several Select Quarterly Meetings
reported that they had made some progress therein
but as that Service is not compleated. they are still Continued
and desired to Carefully attend thereto not only in Visiting such
parts where they have not yet been, but revisit as truth
may open their way, and report to our next Select Yearly
Meetg —

Recd Accts from the several Select Quarterly Meetgs
with answers to the Queries which were read in this
Meeting by which it appears there yet remains several
=al deficiencies — Friends are desired to attend to the
remarks made thereon and unite in Labor for a further
reformation —

This Meeting adjourns to the Close of the Yearly Meet
for buisiness. — —

15th Day — as there was not time at the Close of the Meetg
for buisiness met at the 7th hour this morning by
agreement — Representatives all present — —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the
Meetings report which is accepted and is as follows —

According to our Sence the appearances in the
ministry in the Meetgs for Discipline yesterday
and the Day before were to Satisfaction —

Signd in behalf of the Comte
15th 7th mo 1785.
Thomas Lapham
Desire Langford

having

Having been favour^d to conduct the busyness of this Meeting in a degree of Brotherly Love & Concord in the several Sittings thereof, and being at this time favour^d with the fresh extending of divine regard which hath measurably united our Spirits in in thankfulness to the Author thereof — under a sence of which we conclude this Meeting: proposing if the Lord permit, to meet again next Year at time and place as usual —

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers & Elders began at Portsmouth on Rhode Island for New england 8^th^ 6^th^ mo 1786 — The Representatives named in the accounts from the several select Quarterly Mat^gs are —

For Rhode Island } Jacob Mott. Moses Brown
David Bassum John Cozzy
Thomas Hazard Mary Mitchel^2^
Dejire Langford & Joanna Shove

For Salem — Jeremiah Hacker^a^ Jona^a^ Dow
John^a^ Tabor Hannah Dave & Anna Hacker —

For Sandwich Jothro Mitchel Shubal Coffin Rich^d^ Dillano and John Baily —

Rec^d^ acc^t^ from the several select Quarterly Meetings with Answers to the Queries which were read in this Meeting: which after some time attend^d to, said Answers are refer^d to the adjournment of this Meet^g for further Consideration — —

— Friends

Friends appointed to have the oversight of this Meeting and the Publick Meetings for Worship during the ensuing Yearly Meeting. as also the Members of this Meeting in the meetings for business are — Jacob Mott. Mosey Brown John Casey, Jethro Mitchel. Benjamin Arnold Jeremiah Hacker Mary Mitchel 2d. Anne Hacker and they to report to the Several sittings of this Meeting —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour next 7th Day morning 10th Instant at Newport —

10th Day met according to Adjournment —

Representatives all Present —

Friends continued last Year to compleat their Service in Visiting the Select Quarterly Meetings report that some attention has been paid thereto. and the Mtgs not before visited has been advised and they have proceeded to the appointment of a Committe to visit the Several Select Mtgs thereto belonging: in order to effect the Purposes specially intended which is to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

The answers to the Queries from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings coming again under the Consideration of this Meeting it is concluded to appoint a Comtte closely to Inspect said accts. and report to our next Sitting what in their Sence appears likely to be useful at this time. and are Frds Jos: Mitchel, David Buffum, Jonathan Dame, Jeremiah Hacker Mosey Brown David Green one appointed for that Service and any other Friend feeling a concern there to have liberty to attend with said Comtte and if it should appear to the Comtte that an Epistle from this Mtg to the Several Select and monthly Quarterly Mtgs might be serviceable They are desired to make an Essay, and present to the

adjournment of this Meeting ——

Friends appointed to take the oversight of the Meetgs report that the Meetings yesterday were Conducted to Satisfaction —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour next 2d day morning 12th Instant —

12th Day mett by adjournment —

Representatives all Present —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting report that the Meetings on first Day were generally satisfactory and that they had Extend care where necessary — ——

Friends appointed at a former sitting of this Meetg to Inspect the Accts and answer to the Queries from the several Select Quarterly Meetgs report that it is their Sence that an Epistle from this to the Quarterly Select Meetings is at this time necessary they are desired to make an Essay to that purpose and present to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour to morrow morning — Met according to adjournment.

Representatives all present —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetgs reported that according to their Sence the Meetings yesterday were to general Satisfaction which report is approved by this Meetg — Friends appointed to make an Essay of an Epistle from this to the Several Select Quarterly Meetings presented it. which was read. and after some alteration made was approvd of and signd in this Meeting by the Clerk who is directed

to send coppies there of to each Select Quarterly Meetg
hereto belonging ——

Having been favour'd measurably in the several
sittings of this Meeting with divine regard under a
thankful sence of which we conclude this Meeting
intending if the Lord permit to meet again next year
at time and place as usual ——

[illegible]

[illegible] Select Yearly Meeting for [illegible]
held at Shoe Island [illegible] and began at Portsmouth
the 6th day of the 6th mo 1787 —

The representatives named in the [illegible]
from each Select Quarterly Meeting hereto belonging are

For Rhode Island Jacob Mott, Moses Brown
[illegible] Hazard & Mary Mumford

For Philad.a John Fisher Jeremiah Hacker
Daniel Wheeler Henry Oliver
Hannah Paxson Anna Harper & Mary
Dame —

For Sandwich John Russel John Bailey
William Rotch Sarah Barker
and Abigail Wing —

Who being called were all present except William
Rotch, Mary Oliver, Mercy Dame, Sarah Barker
and Abigail Wing, for the absence of the last
mentioned Friend a Representative Letter in writing
was sent to this Meeting.

Friends

Friends appointed to have the oversight of this & the
publick Meetings for Worship & of the Ministry in the
Meeting for Business and report to the several Sittings of this
meeting how they are conducted are Josep Brown
John Casey, Jeremiah Hacker, John Talbot, Anna Hacker
Mary Mitchell, Desire Longford, with such other
Friends as the Meeting at our next Sitting may think
best to add. —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th Hour next 6th
day morning the 8th Instant, at Newport —

8th Day Met according to adjournment
Representatives being call'd were all present that
attended our former Sitting, and William Rotch
Mary Wilbur, and Sarah Barker are present
at this Sitting —

The Following Certificates & Copies of minutes
were read in this Meeting to Satisfaction (viz)

One on behalf of our Fd Samuel Emlen from
the mo.ly Meeting held at Philadelphia for the
northern district dated 22: 5th mo 1787

one on behalf of our Friend William Savary
from the same mo.ly Meeting dated 1st 5th mo. 1787 —

one on behalf of our Fd Anna Haag from the
Monthly meeting held at Saratoga dated 17th 4th mo 1787

Also —

Also a Copy of a minute on behalf of our Fr. Tiddeman Hall from the Creek mo[ly] Meeting & Piscataway dated 17th 4th mo 1787 — and a Copy of a Minute on behalf of our Fr. Zebulun Hazzie from the monthly Meet[g] of Saratoga dated 24th 5th mo 1787 — signifying the unity of the several Monthly Meetings with the Friends named in their respective Certificates & Minutes, and their approbation of their concurrence with their present visit to those parts —

This meeting adjourn'd to the 7th hour to morrow morning — the 9th Instant —

7th Day met by Adjournment —

The representatives being call'd are all present who attended our last Sitting — Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings report, which is accepted & is as follows (viz) / — — he attended the Meeting on 5th day and it's our sence that it was not so generally attended with that degree of Humbling authority as could be desired, it being Quick and nothing appearing in the publick appearance that we think best particularly to notice here — and the Meeting for Worship and Discipline on Sixth day was in general to satisfaction and where it was otherwise care hath been and is proposed to be taken —

(Sign[d] in behalf of the Comm[tt]

To the Select Yearly Meet[g] 6th mo 9th — 1787

John Cassey
Anne Hacker —

And a

And as the minute at a former sitting of this Meetg was left open for an addition to the Comtte to take the oversight of the Meetings, our Friends William Rotch Jonathan Paine, Henry Oliver, and David Green are added to the Comtte for that Service ——

The Queries were read, and the Answers thereto from the several select Quarterly Meetings here to belong

Joseph Congdon is reappointed to the place of Clerk to this Meetg for the Year Ensuing —

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour next 2d day morning 11th Instant ——

11th day met by Adjournment —

Representatives all present that attended our last sitting — Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meetings report, which is accepted and is as follows viz — Having attended to our appointment have to inform that it is our sense that our select meetg on Seventh day morning was a Favoured Season and the Conduct of our members in the Meetings for busines was to our satisfaction — the Meetings for Worship yesterday in the forepart of them did not appear to be attended with so lively an Engagement towards & at the Conclusion, yet upon the Whole we think they were favoured Seasons —

Newport 6th mo. 11th 1787 — Signed in behalf of the Comtte by John Casey Anne Slocker ——

To the Select Yearly Meetg ——

This Meeting taking into Consideration what is & may be the proper business of a Comm.tee appointed from the several Meetings, came to the following Conclusion viz.

It is concluded that the service of Comm.tee appointed as overseers of Meetings of Worship, be understood without being expressly in the minute of appointment, that they weightily feel after a renewed Qualification to make a right Judgment of the State of Meetings, whether they be held in that life & authority which is the Cement & crown of our Assemblies, as also of the right authority of the ministry, their soundness in Word & Doctrine, as well as other things relating to the reputable and orderly conducting of meetings of Worship, the state or conduct of the select Meetings, and of the Members there of in meetings for business — and where occasion be given they be careful tenderly to administer counsel & advice as truth may enable, of which care they should make mention in their reports, as also their care respecting such as make publick appearance who are not Members of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 7th hour tomorrow morning 12th Instant —

12th Day met according to Adjournt.

Representatives call'd were all present that attended our last Sitting —

This Meeting taking into Consideration the usefulness of Reading the Memorial of divers contain

Contained in our Book of Discipline page 92 & 93.
tenderly advise that the several Select Meetings belonging
to both Quarterly & Monthly Meetings continue the
practice thereof at the first opening their respective
Meetings & report to our next Yearly Meeting their
conduct herein. —

It having been under solid consideration in this
Meeting what may be the best method for reports to
be given in respecting the State of Meetings by those
Friends appointed to have the oversight of them; and
divers Friends expressing a prospect that Verbal reports
weightily & feelingly made, might more Profitable con-
=vey the sence of such committees, and impress a more
lively sence of the real State of things on the Meeting
than written reports, the further Consideration of the
Subject is referd to the next Yearly Meeting, and the
Quarterly Select Meetings are left for the present to
proceed as they shall feel most easy in this respect,
yet desired to attend to the Subject Individually, that
Something more conclusive may be agreed upon
next Year —

And the Clerk of this meeting is directed
to furnish the several Select Quarterly Meetings
with Coppies of the above minutes —

Friends appointed to have the oversight of the Meeting
made report to this meeting for the Meeting yesterday
were conducted, it is expected they attend thereto, & report
to our Select Yearly Meeting next Year, as also of the
Ensuing Sitting of the Yearly meeting that may yet take
place —

Having gone through the business which came
before us in brotherly Love & Concord, Wittnessing in
degree our Spirits united to the Holy Head, and
one unto another, under a thankful sense of
which we conclude this Meeting; Intending if
the Lord permit to meet again next Year according
to the agreement of the Yearly Meeting —

Sign, Joseph Congdon Clk

At a Select Yearly meeting of Ministers and
Elders held on Rhode Island for New England
began at Portsmouth ye 11th day of the 6th month
1788. — The representation Named in the account
From the Several Select Quarterly meetings
hereto Belonging are as —— for Rhode Island
Sampson Sherman Daniel Lawland Jr Thomas
Hazzard Caleb Greene Catharine Mony and
Mary Lawton —

For Salem Elijah Jenkins Joshua Hutson
Jeremiah Hacker John Tabor Mehitable
Jenkins Hannah Dow and Sarah Tabor

For

For Sandwich Jethro Mitchel John Bailey
Mary Mitchel and Abigail Wing ~ Who
being called are all present ~

Friends appointed at our last yearly meeting to
have the Oversight of Meetings, inform, that they
Made a report of their Service of the State of the
Meetings as directed at the last sitting of our last
Select yearly meeting, and delivered it to the
Clerk of this meeting which report doth not appear
Amongst the papers, the Clerk is desired to make
the Necessary inspection therefor and produce
it When all Comes to hand ~

The Subject referred from the last Select Yearly
Meeting to this respecting which may be the Best
Method for Committees appointed to have the Oversight
of Meetings to Make their reports, coming Again
Under Consideration in this Meeting, do Conclude
to Leave the several Select Quarterly Meetings at
Liberty to proceed in that Case as they Feel most
Easy for another Year, But that Each Quarter
Send up to our Next Select Yearly meeting what
Method to them Appears Best in that respect
and the Clerk is directed to furnish Each Quarter
With A Copy of the Above Minute ~

A Certificate in Behalf of our Friend Samuel Emlen
from Philadelphia Monthly Meeting held for the Northern
District by adjournment dated 13th of ye 5th Mo. 1788
Signifying their Unity with him as An Minister and
Likewise their Concurrence With his Concern to
Visit Friends in these parts ~ Was read to Satisfaction

Friends appointed to have the Oversight of the
Meetings during this Yearly meeting, and make
report to the Several Sittings hereof how they are

Conducted, are Moses Brown, John Tabor
Sampson Herman, Jethro Mitchel, Jeremiah
Tucker, Catharine Ulmy, Anne Tucker, Mercy
Brown, Mary Taylor and John Casey Clk

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour next 6th
day morning the 13th instant to meet at Newport.

Met According to adjournment.

The representatives all present.

Friends Appointed to have the Oversight of Meeting
report, that the Meeting Yesterday at Portsmouth
Was to pretty Good Satisfaction it Being in some
degree a Favoured Season.

The Answers to the Queries from the Several Select
Quarterly Meetings Were read in this Meeting
in Which there appears some Pleasing instances
of Diligence, and our Friends Thomas Hazard
Job Scott Caleb Greene John Tabor Daniel Howland
Thurston Coffin and Jethro Mitchel are Appointed
to farther Consider said Answers, and if there
Appears a probability of Usefulness to Commence
anything by way of Epistle to said meetings
that they Draw an Essay thereof and report
at Adjournment of this meeting.

This meeting adjourns to the 9th hour tomorrow
Morning the 11th instant. Met According
to Adjournment, Representatives all present.

The representatives report Our Friend John
Casey Clerk to this Meeting for the year ensuing
Which Meeting the Approbation ~~of their conduct~~
thereof, he is Appointed Clerk According by the
Book of Records Belonging to this meeting being here
it is delivered to the present Clerk and those papers
that the former Clerk is possessed of he is desired to
deliver to Moses Brown Who was Appointed to

Receive the papers that were not wanted for
Immediate use. —

The Committee to have the Oversight of Meetings
Report, that our Morning meeting Yesterday was a favoured
Season and the Meeting for Worship in some degree
favoured With Divine Openings, and the Ministry
during said Meeting Was to profitt good satisfaction
as Likewise the Conduct of our Members in the
Meetings of Discipline. —

This Meeting having been at this time Exercised
On Account of some members of it Engaging in
Political matters respecting outward Government, and
feeling engaged for the recovery of such friends
as may be Concerned therein Do Appoint our
friends Moses Brown David Buffum Jonathan
Dane Job Scott Jeremiah Hacker and Isaac
Mitchel a Committee to take the Subject under
their Weighty Consideration, and report to future
Sitting of this meeting What in their Judgment
may appear to be the best Way for this meeting
to proceed for the help and recovery of Such
friends and the preservation of Other. —

This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour Next
Second day Morning the 16th Instant. —

Met According to adjournment, Before whom all Present
The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings
Report that Our Select Meeting On Seventh
Day Appeared Comfortable Edifying Season
And that they had nothing perticular to remark
of the Conduct of our Members in the meetings
for discipline. — the Meeting for Worship in
the forenoon Yesterday Appeared to be a favoured
Meeting and in Amore perticular Manner

Towards the Conclusion of it — the meeting in the Afternoon tho not so intargedly Answered Was Yet in some degree Owned with the Authoradawings of Divine regard, the Ministry through Both meetings was Generally to Satisfaction the Meeting held at Portsmouth was Lived, and the Appearance in the ministry appeared to be Satisfactory. ——

The Committee having under their Care the reconsidering the Answers to the Queries having Produced to this meeting an Essay of Epistle Directed to Each Select Quarterly Meeting, Which being read was Approved And Signed in and by direction of this Meeting by the Clerks, Who with the Assistance of Daniel Howland &c is directed to furnish Each Select Quarterly meeting with a Copy thereof And as the Said Epistle Contains Observations On the Subject of this meetings Concern for those friends, that have, and are Sustaining Offices in outward Government, for a Consideration of Which Select Seperate Committee was Appointed, Who having United in their Labour and Concern with the first Committee, the Epistle Above Mentioned is Considered as a Supplement of Even Appointment. — — and ~~Epistle~~ is as followeth. — —

From our Yearly Select Meeting held on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 11th of the 6m 1788 To the 17 of the Same inclusive To the Several Select Quarterly meetings thereto Belonging. —

Dear Friends. — We received your Account with Answers to the Queries, and are Drawn

In a degree of real concern for Sions welfare, not only to remark to you that we Sorrowfully notice the dire disformer hereby Manifest, yet wish your renewed Caution, broken vows and, to have them removed; but we also are, from an Eye of the State of things in the several parts of the More Immediately Visited with Fear that we may represent a more Separate situation of religious Affairs then is in Every perspicion known to us at this time, and do Earnestly advise that at all times, and Especially when answering the Queries, friends Endeavour to stand honestly Open to the discoveries of the pure truth; thus may above sence of our real condition as individuals and as Members be Received, Much real benefit to our immortal Souls Gained, and a just account Enabled to this meeting. We know friends that Closing up Compliants without Endeavouring amendment will not suffice, But to pass along from time to time, under an Apprehension that it is pretty well with us when the Lords all seeing Eye beholds it Quite Otherwise, must powerfully tend to lull us into and Continue us in a dangerous if not fatal Security and Lethargy of Soul.—
We Salute a living remnant in the several Meetings, and would encourage in them a holy perseverance to the End however Tryed and Exercising may be their Conflicts and trials, but even these would do well to Guard against Every suggestion of having much advanced in the way of Life, Many having thereby been induced to Set down in a false rest, far short of the true rest, which yet remaineth for the people

And Servants of God. those who press through the Crowd, and do Give up fully and faithfully to follow the Leadings of their Salvation, in the way of Regeneration. Mark dear Friends, in the regenera tion, Now this is a gradual work and requires Many Overturnings & Every building in we which our own hands may pervert to Evil, for those must all be Broken Down, all Gain are Trash be not Left upon another, Then will that building whose foundation is the Rock Christ be Established in Glory and prosper in the Heart of those who Love Him, Cunning Workmanship of man, and through the Lively Exercise which will then raise increase in the truely dependant mind, a holy Zeal and Care for the Good of the Church will be kindled in which we desire Every rightly Concerned member to be diligently Laborious in all proper Exertions for the Building up the decayed Walls of Our Sion trusting in the Lord that all Strong will attend their Labours, and he will get Glory and Worth Mightily for the redeeming of his People. And as Every such rightly Concerned Member in truth & and will highly Value the precious Unity of the living Body, be affectionately inclined those who have Notwithstanding their high profession and the Caution and advice of the Yearly meeting, been induced to decept of Office & Honour and Trust in a Church Government, to Consider how much they encouraged that Spirit, and thereby Obstructed their Usefulness in Church, and as Almighty Goodness has attended this Meeting, for the preservation of those who thus Contribute to the Burdening the minds of their Concerned brethren, we are Constrained to Exhort and advise all such to with true form those Heavenly Nations of Exercise and Labour in the ancient Order & Humility, believing that thereby you may be fitted to receive instruction from him who dwells

In the inward Court of the Temple of the heart in order to fit and Qualify for Useful and Acceptable Service in the Assemblies of the Lords People Remembering that no other honour or dignity can Equal that which the Lord is graciously pleased to bestow on his humble faithful Labourers in the Church of Christ — This being the Calling of those who are qualified to fill their Stations, We beseech you brethren & Come away and be ye seperate from all those connection conduct and Conversation are hurtfull to the Soul — With the Salutation of our Love we Conclude and in your minde Brethren and Sisters, signed in and on Behalf of our Meeting — By John Casey Clerk —

This meeting adjourns to the 3d hour Tomorrow Morning the 15th instant, — Met according to adjournment — the representatives all present except Mehetable Jenkins and Mary Mitchel whose Income is Reckoned, for this meeting is informed by indisposition of Body — —

The Committee having the Oversight of meetings report that the morning meeting Yesterday was favoured time and the Conduct of our Members through the Several adjournments of the meetings for discipline was to Satisfaction — Said Committee are Continued to attend upon their Appointment and Make a report to our Next Select Yearly meeting.

A Certificate from the half years meeting of men and Yearly meeting of Women friends held at Dublin in Ireland the 3 of ye 5m° 1785 in favour of our beloved friend Mehetable Jenkins was read in this Meeting to Satisfaction and is as followeth Viz — — — — To the

Monthly Meeting of Friends for Dover in the County of York Massachusetts Bay New England and Such other Meetings as it may Concern —

Dear Friends — Our beloved friend Mehitable Jenkins, having performed Religious Visit to the Meetings of Friends in this Nation, and Apprehending herself Clear to depart from us we hereby Inform you that, her Labours of Love, in the Service of her Gift, have been truly Acceptable, and her Deportment in the Manifestation Consistent therewith; being much in the Meetings and humbly becoming a Servant of the Lord Jesus. We Desire that, in her further Service for him She may Continue to Move in the Same, that so the Reward of Peace may attend her at the Conclusion thereof, and that she may be Safely Conducted back to her Family and Friends, we Conclude, with the Salutation of our Dear Love Your Brethren and Sisters, — Signed in and on behalf of our National half Years Men and Yearly Women Meeting held in Dublin ye 3 of ye 5 mo 1785. —

Samuel Neal
Sarah Neal
Jane Watson
Mary Dudley
Margaret Grubb
Lydia Shackleton
Mary Penn
Mary Ann Haughton
Mary Dudley
Sarah Courtenay
Elizabeth Peisley
Sarah Jackson
Joshua Penn
Robert Atkinson
John Leeky
Thomas Simmons
John Greene
Samuel Woodcock
Joseph Wilson
Richard Abel
John Robinson
Robert Gibbons
John Mussel
James Christy
Richard Shackleton
Thomas Bacon
John Pemberton
Edward Hatton
Isaac Jackson
Joseph Inman
Robert Dudley
Joseph Pike
Benjamin Greene
Richard Allen
Jervis Johnson
and Many Considerable Number of others Both Men and Women Friends. — Also

A Certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjournments from the 3 of the 6th mo 1786 to the 12th of the same inclusive in Behalf of our said Friend was likewise read in this Meeting to Satisfaction and is as followeth Viz From our Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjournments from the 3 of the 6th month 1786 to the 12th of the same Inclusive.

To the Monthly Meeting of Dover, the Quarterly Meeting of Salem and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders for New England. —

Dear Friends Brethren and Sisters. Our Dear Friend Mehetable Jenkins requesting this Meeting that having Visited Friends in Most of the Meetings in this Nation, she now apprehends her Service draws Near to a Conclusion, and that she may be at Liberty to return to her family and friends before another year, Same requested a Certificate. These are therefore to Certify on her behalf that we have good Unity with our said Friends acceptance & Labours, and that her innocent Living and Circumspect Conversation Amongst us has been to our Edification and Comfort. — We Earnestly desire she may be preserved in a faithful Care so to finish what remains to be filled up of her Service in the Land that she may be favoured to return to you with the increase of increasing Peace in her Own Bosom — With the Salutation of Love we Remain your Friends and Brethren — Signed in and in Behalf of said Meeting — Signed by

Abraham Gray	Jacob Hagen	Thomas Corbyn
Joseph Dodgra	William Mathews	James Crosby
George Dillwyn	Edmund Gurney	Henry Wilkins
Zacharias Dicks	William Matthews	Jeremiah Warring
John Hill	William Tuke	Thomas Finch

Robert Eeles
John Booth
Wm Boteh
John Lurr
George Gibson
John Abbott
Robert Madin
Thomas Hall
Elizabeth Gibson
Rebecca Jones
Peter Tuke
Sarah Maw
Sarah Beck
Patience Brayton
Sarah Grubb
Ann Dymond
Elizabeth Massey
Mary Prior
Sarah Ford

Joseph Bowe
Thomas Hull
Morris Birkbeck
John Poynton
Richard Chester
Thomas Fox
William Simmons
Thomas Wagstaff
Susanah Bacon
Sarah Corbyn
Sarah Bland
Jane Pearson
Sarah Shelton
Mercher South
Elizabeth Hoyland
Sarah Stephenson
Hannah Grubb
Mary Benson
Sarah Rudd

Richard Baker
Richard Reynolds
Benjamin Ball
Robert Grubb
John Cash Senr
John Rhenda C
Thomas Greenwood
John Hustler
Elizabeth Chandler
Ann Hutchinson
Christiana Hustler
Rebekah Wright by desire
Ann Tylor
Tabitha Middleton
Ann Byrd
Mary Weston
Mary Dudley
Mary Davis
Anna Allis

With a Number of Others Both men and Women Friends

Having Gone through the Business which Came before us in Brotherly Love and Concord, Inlinesing in degree Our Spirits United to the Holy Head and one unto another Under a thankfull Sense of Which we Conclude the meeting Intending if the Lord Permit to Meet again Next Year According to the Agreement of the Yearly meeting —

John Lacey Clerk

At a Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhode Island for New England, Began at Portsmouth the 10th day of ye 6th month 1789

The Accounts from the Several Select Quarterly meetings hereto Belonging Being prevented the representatives Names thereof are: ——— ——— ———

For Rhode Island, Thomas Hazzard, Samson Shearman Isaac Lawton Dewre Langford, And Elizabeth Mott. ——— ——— ——— ———

For Salem, Jeremiah Thacher, John Tabor, Henry Oliver John Winslow Mehitable Jenkins Hannah Dow Anna Thacher and Elizabeth Varney. ———

For Sandwich Abner Potter John Bailey Jethro Mitchell Moses Buffington Elizabeth Wing & Mercy Slocum Who Being Called Were all present, except Dewre Langford and Mercy Slocum from the first Mentioned friend there was a few Lines Sent to this Meeting informing that Indisposition of Body was the Occation of her not attending. — Which Care was Satisfactory to this Meeting

The Committee Appointed Last Year to have the Oversight of Meetings Made the following Report Viz

To the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders To be held Next Year for Rhode Island. ——— We Your Committee to have the Oversight of the Meetings having attended to Our Appointment, Report that the Select Meeting this Morning was Satisfactory — Nothing Occured in the Meeting for Business but what Appeared to be Aiming at the right thing, and at the Close we have With Satisfaction and Comfort to Observe, the Crown of Our Assemblies appeared to be Over the Meeting Newport 17th of 6mo 1788 in Behalf of the Committee John Casey and Anna Thacher — Which was Accepted

Friends Appointed to have the Oversight of Meetings
During this Yearly Meeting and report to the adjournment
how they are Conducted, are William Rotch, John
Jabor Moses Brown Andrew Nichols Jona Hacker
Mary Lawton and Jeremiah Haemer with such other
Friends that this meeting may add at an adjournment
if an addition should be thought Necessary ——

The Subject recommended Last Year to the Consideration
of the Select Quarterly Meetings respecting, Which may
be the Best method for Committees appointed to the
Oversight of Meetings to make their reports.
having Been attended to, they have reported their
Sense as followeth, That When Committees are
Under a proper Exercise and Qualification to
report the mind of truth in Such Cases they will
be favoured with a sense of the Best method of
doing it, and therefore it appears safest to Leave
the manner of reporting to be Either in Writing
or Orally as may appear Best to those, who from
time to time may have the Care of that Weighty
Service, Which Being Satisfactory to this meeting
any further deliberation on the Subject appears
not Needful at this time ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour. Next Six day
Morning the 12th instant to Meet at Newport.
12th day met according to adjournment —— The
Representatives Table present that were at our
first Sitting except Elizabeth Mott and Elizabeth King
for Elizabeth Motts absence there was a reason assigned
Which was Accepted ——

The representatives have proposed to this
Meeting the reappointing of John Casey as Clerk
to this Meeting Which being Agreed to he is
Accordingly Appointed Clerk for the Year Ensuing

The Minuet of the Appointment of Friends to the Oversight of the Meetings Being Left Open in addition, Our friends Jacob Mott and Dorcas Earl are added to Said Committee

This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour tomorrow Morning the 13th Instant. —— Met according to adjournment Representatives all present that were at our last Sitting. —— Elizabeth King assigned a reason Why She Was Absent Yesterday Which Was Accepted

The Committee appointed to have the Oversight of Meetings Report in Substance as followeth That According to their Sense the time of Worship in Our Select Meeting on Fourth day was in some degree favoured Season tho afterwards attended With a Langor that Obstructed the Lively dispatch of Business, — The Meeting for Worship on first Day Appeared to them in Some Degree favoured With Divine Openings But not in so enlarged a Manner as at Some other times. the Ministry during said Meeting Was to Satisfaction —— Our Morning Meeting Yesterday Was in the General a Satisfactory time — and Wherein Care Was thought Best to be taken it was well Accepted. —— The Succeeding Meeting for Worship appeared in the fore part thereof a heavy Exercising time. But Towards and in the Conclusion attended with More Life, — there was Nothing in the Conduct of Our Members in the Meetings for Business But What was to General Satisfaction ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 9th hour Next Second Morning the 15th instant. — Met according to adjournment the Representatives all present that have heretofore attended —— The Queries With Answers from Each Select Quarterly Meeting Were Read in this Meeting, in Which were Exhibited Affecting

Instance of Deficiencies Upon Which Several Observations
Were made and Accompanied with Salutary advice
and Counsel that was truely Acceptable to this Meeting
The Committee having the Oversight of the Meetings made
the following Report Viz — that the Select Meeting On
the 13th was a Season of humiliation and Sorrow on
Account of the State of things as Exhibited in the
Accounts Yet the Meeting Seemed to be Covered
With some Encouragment and Weight towards the Close
The Meeting for Business appeared to be Conducted
Orderly — the Morning Meeting for Worship on
the 14th appeared in a good degree Lively and
Encouraging the Ministry and Service therein
Satisfactory — the Meeting in the afternoon Considering
it was large and Crouded was Quiet tho not Lively
Yet the Ministry and Service therein Were in
A good Degree Satisfactory — the Meeting at Portsmouth
and the Ministry therein appeared to be favoured
in a good degree — Signed in Behalf of the
Committee by Jacob Mott
Anna Hacker
Newport
15th of 6th mo 1789

Which Being read was Accepted and they Continued
to Attend upon their appointment and prepare
a report to be presented to our Next Select Yearly
Meeting —

having Gone through the Business that Came
Before us in Brotherly Love and Concord, and
favoured in the Several Sittings here of in a good
Degree with the Overshadowings of Divine
Regard, Reverently Extended at this our Last
Sitting Under a Degree of humble thankfulness
Therefor we Desire to Conclude this Meeting
Intending if the Lord permitt to Meet again
Next Year at the Usual time and Place

Signed By John Casey Clerk this Year

At a Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders held on Rhodeisland for New England, began at Portsmouth the 9th day of the 6th month, 1790.

The Accounts from the several select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging being presented, the Representatives named therein are,

for Rhodeisland, Jacob Mott, Paul Greene, Daniel Aldrich, Thomas Hazard, Adonijah Upton, Elizabeth Mott, Freelove Harris, and Sarah Hoxie.

for Salem, Jeremiah Hacker, John Tabor, Remington Kelby, Mehetable Jenkins & Anna Hacker

for Sandwich, Jeremiah Austin, Jethro Mitchel, Jr., Bailey, Rhoda Tucker and Abigail White

who being called, were all present: except, Daniel Aldrich, Jeremiah Austin, Jethro Mitchel, Rhoda Tucker, and Abigail White, for the three last mentioned Friends, there were reasons sent in Writing to this Meeting, why they were absent, which appeared to be sickness in their Families, which Care is satisfactory to this Meeting.

The Committee appointed last Year, to have the Oversight of Meetings, made Report, which being read was accepted, and is as followeth,

"The Committee appointed to have the Oversight "of the Meetings, report.

"That it is their sense, that the Select meeting "yesterday, which was the concluding Meeting was a "favored Opportunity;

"The Meetings for Business yesterday appeared to "be conducted orderly, except the appearances of one Friend "in the Women's meeting, not a Member of the Select "meeting, which were painful; and render Care was ea- "joined.

"The concluding Meeting for Business this Morning

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" ended to good Satisfaction.

Signed by Direction of the Committee

the 16 of 6mo. 1789. Jacob Mott

Anne Hacker, "

The following Friends attended this Meeting, with Certificates from their respective Meetings to which they belonged, expressive of their Meetings unity and Concurrence with their visit to Friends in these parts said Certificates were read to our Satisfaction, viz^t one in behalf of our Friend Benjamin Swett from a Monthly meeting of Friends held at Haddonfield in New Jersey the 10th day of the 5th Month 1790. and for our Friend Daniel Offley from a Monthly meeting held at Philadelphia for Southern District the 28th day of the 4th month 1790. and for our friend Hugh Judge from a Monthly meeting held at Wilmington New Castle County on Delaware the 13th of the 5mo. 1790. and for our Friend Elizabeth Drinker from a Monthly meeting of friends held at Philadelphia the 30th of the 4th mo. 1790. and also for our Friend Hannah Yerkes from a Monthly meeting of Friends held in Philadelphia for the Northern District the 26th day of the 5mo. 1790.

The Quarterly meeting of Rhodeisland informs that Sarah Harris and Ruth Sherman have been approved of as Elders which this Meeting likewise concurs with.

Our Friends George Comstock, John Tabor, John Casey, Jacob Mott, Caleb Greene, Anne Hacker, Mary Lawton and Mary Mitchel are appointed to have the oversight of Meetings during this Year by Meeting, and report their Proceedings to the succeeding Adjournments of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 5th hours next 1st day Morning the 11th Instant to meet at Newport.

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11th Day. Met according to Adjournment.

The Representatives were all present that were at the first sitting, and Daniel Wadrich also attended at this Time.

The Clerk being absent on acct of indisposition of Body. Caleb Greene is appointed Clerk for this time.

The Committee appointed to the Oversight of the Meetings report, that the first sitting of this Meeting was small, that the Meeting yesterday was quiet and orderly, and that what appearance there was in the Ministry, was rather agreeable than otherwise.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 8 hour tomorrow Morning.

12th day. Met according to Adjournment.

All the Representatives were present that were at last sitting.

The Representatives named Caleb Greene as Clerk of this Meeting, or this year, which being agreeable thereto, he is appointed to that service accordingly.

The Committee to have the oversight of the Meetings reported in Writing, which was read, accepted & is as follows.

"To the Select Yearly meeting now sitting at Newport. We your Comtee. for the Oversight of Meetings, have attended to our Appointment, and according to our Prospect, the Morning meeting yesterday was favored with seasonable Counsel and Admonition, and tho we are cautious of saying that any Friends extended their Labours farther than their openings in the Life directed, yet we believe there was quite enough delivered on some particular Subjects, and some Care has been taken where it seemed necessary to us.

In regard to the Meeting for Worship we have not to be more particular to remark, than, that it was one

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1790 of Thos. dull heavy times, & even well concerned Friends are liable to mistake in point of Duty, which we are apprehensive was in some degree the Case yesterday. nothing occurred in the Meeting for Discipline which we think necessary to remark here.

12th of 5th Mo. 1790. Signed on behalf of the Committee by George Comstock.
Mary Mitchel.

The Queries were read with the Accounts and Answers from each Select Quarterly meeting, by which it appears, that there are yet some affecting Deficiencies on which were made several pertinent remarks, accompanied with such salutary Advice as was acceptable and edifying to this Meeting.

The Committee for the oversight of the Meetings requesting an Addition to their Number which appearing necessary, Moses Brown, Wm. Rotch, Mary Mason, Rebecca Rich, Hanson & Jeremiah Clarke are appointed for that Service.

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour, at second day Morning the 14th Instant.

14th Day met by adjournment.

The Representatives all present who were at last sitting.

The Committee for the Oversight of Meetings reported in Writing which was read and accepted & is as follows: "That it was their sense that the Select meeting on 7th day Morning, was a favoured tho' a close searching time.

Nothing particularly to remark on the Conduct of our Members in the Meetings for Business.

The Morning meeting for worship in Newport on first day appeared to be a comfortable time, the Meeting orderly and ministry satisfactory. The

1790 The Meeting in the afternoon was large, and with that at Portsmouth attended with a good degree of Solemnity, and as to the Ministry wherein care was thought necessary it has been attended and appeared to be well accepted. Signed in and on behalf of the Committee 14th of 1mo 1790. by Moses Brown.

Anne Hacker.

The Clerk is directed to make out a Summary of the Answers to the Queries and present to the Adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 8th Hour tomorrow Morning.

15th day met by Adjournment.

The Representatives all present as heretofore.

The Committee to the Oversight of Meetings report that the morning Meeting yesterday was satisfactory in the general that they had nothing in particular to remark on the Conduct of our Members in the Meetings for Business." the Committee is continued in their appointment and to prepare a Report to be presented to our first meeting next year.

The Clerk reported a Summary of the Answers to the Queries, as follows.

"That Ministers and Elders are generally careful to attend all our Meetings and in getting out their families not so generally exemplary in humble waiting, nor all clear of giving way to Drowsiness in either of the Meetings.

That the Ministry is generally sound and more by careful to minister in the right Ability, some Instances herein excepted, one of which is under notice.

That the Lives and Conversations of Ministers and Elders are in degree clean and blameless, that Love and Unity subsists in degree among most, so that harmonious Labour is not much obstructed, being generally

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1790 careful of giving occasion of Offence, that they are all generally engaged to rule their houses well and for plainness being mostly exemplary, and engaged in peacemaking, for the maintaining Discipline and for the impartial Administration of Justice and that no Minister travels out of the Quarterly meeting on a religious Visit, without Certificate.

A Concern having arose and solidly spread in this Meeting for the help and strength of the Members of it; Daniel Aldrich, Jeremiah Hacker, Job Scott, and Isaac Lawton, are appointed to make a Visit to our several Select Quarterly meetings, and if way opens, and so far as way opens in the Life of Truth, to visit the Upper Select meetings and the Families of our Members, and to Labour as ability may be afforded for the restoration and quickening of Friends to a lively exercise and the discharge of every Duty, and for the right ordering of all our Meetings and families and removal of remaining Deficiencies; and report to our next yearly Select Meeting.

Having again been favoured to transact the affairs which came before us in this Meeting in the several sittings thereof with brotherly Love and Harmony in a comfortable Degree, which is fresh Cause of Thankfulness to our Holy head; in a sense of which we desire to conclude this Meeting, intending if the Lord permit to meet again next Year at the usual time and place.

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting

by Caleb Greene Clerk this year.

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At a Yearly meeting for Ministers & Elders, begon and held at Portsmouth on Rhodeisland for New England, the 8th of the 6th Month 1791.

The Accounts from the several Select Meetings hereto belonging were presented, the Representatives therein named were

For Rhodeisland, Thomas Hazard, Adonijah Upton, Moses Brown, Jacob Mott, Mary Mitchel & Ruth Shearman:

Salem, John Taber, John Winslow Jeremiah Hacker, Mehetabel Jenkins, Abigail Purrington & Hannah Dow.

Sandwich, Jeremiah Austin Ethro Mitchel, John Baily, Mercy Slocum & Deborah Hussey. — who being called were all present.

A Report from the committee to the Oversight of Meetings last year was presented read and accepted & is as follows.

The Committee for the Oversight of the Meetings, report; That the Select meeting this Morning afforded nothing particular to remark, otherwise than its Conclusion was comfortably solid.

Nothing particular to remark of our Members in the Meetings for Business.

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George Comstock
Mary Lawton.

1791. Our esteemed Sarah Lundy attended this Meeting with a certificate dated at Kingwood Monthly meeting held at Hardwick / N. Jersey from the 14th to the 20th of the 10th mo. last; expressive of their Unity with her as a Minister and her Visit to these Parts; also our Friend William Rotwell attended this Meeting with a Copy of a Minute of Rahway Mo. meeting held at Plainfield the 18th of 11month last signifying their Unity with him as an Elder and his accompanying our said Friend Sarah Lundy and Companion in their religious visit.

John Saber, Jeremiah Hacker, Jethro Mitchel Moses Brown, Sarah Hoxie, Mercy Slocum Deborah Hussey, Jeremiah Austin, Peter Morrel Jun.r and John Bailey are appointed to the Oversight of the Meetings during this Yearly meeting and to report their Prospects to the succeeding sittings of this Meeting.

The Accounts from the several Select Meetings hereto belonging were read, by which it appears that the Quarterly meeting of Rhodeisland, approved of the Appointment of Peter Hoxie, Robert Knowles /Son of John/ Simeon Perry, Sarah Wilbur and Anna Greene to the Station of Elders, also of the public Appearance in the Ministry of Israel Sabin; — also that the Quarterly Meeting of Salem hath approved of the Appointment of Ebenezer Winslow, William Winslow, Josiah Rogers, Isaiah Hacker, Phebe Winslow, William Winslow Mary Estes, Rachel Pinkham, Hannah Rogers, Lydia Winslow, Moses Dow, John Buffum, Nathan Beede, Joseph Meder, Deborah Rogers, Sarah Beede, Daniel Gove, Joseph Philbrick & Martha Gove to the Station of Elders and

and of the Approbation of Sandwich in the Appointment of William Brown to the Station of an Elder.

This Meeting is also informed that Rhodeisl (and) Quarter approved of the public Appearance in the Ministry of Job Chaloner, as also of the Appointment of John Langford, and Thomas Wilbur Junr to the Station of Elders.

This Meeting is likewise informed that Salem Quarter, hath united in the Dismission of Charles Rondelet from the Station of an Elder.

This Meeting is adjournid to the 8th Hour next 6th day morning to meet at Newport.

6th Day met according to Adjournment.

The Representatives all Present.

The Representatives named Caleb Greene for Clerk to this Meeting this Year, which being to the Approbation of this Meeting, he is appointed Clerk accordingly.

This Meeting is adjournid to the 8th Hour tomorrow Morning.

1st Day met according to Adjournment.

The Representatives all present, except Deborah Hussey, whose Absence was occasionid as this Meeting is informid by indisposition of Body.

The Committee to the Oversight of Meetings reported in Writing, which was accepted and is as follows, "That the Meeting on 4th Day appeared to be attended most of the Time with Dulness and some Appearance of Drowsiness; yet the Lords goodness was witnessed in the spreading of his Love over some Minds to their Encouragement.

The Meeting on 5th Day appeared to be attend

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ed with Heaviness and a want of inward Attention; the Ministry pertinent to the State of the Meeting, one Appearance of drowsiness of which, as well as that on 4th Day, some Care was taken.

The Morning Meeting on 6th Day, was attended with Labour and Exercise, which we hope will prove a profitable Season. —

The public Meeting for Worship appeared to be quiet, and tho' the forepart was rather heavy, the public Offerings were in a good Degree Satisfactory, and the Meeting closed with Humility and Reverence.

The Meetings for Business appeared to be conducted in a good degree satisfactory, we have nothing particular to remark of any of our Members in either of the Meetings, than, where any thing appeared to require our Attention, Care has been taken: all which is submitted to the Meeting. —

Signed in behalf of the Meeting by

Moses Brown

Mercy Slocum.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 8th Hour next second Day Morning. —

13th Day met according to Adjournment.

The Representatives all present.

The Committee to the Oversight of the Meetings reported in writing, which with some Amendment was accepted & is as follows;

That the Morning meeting on 7th Day was a close searching Season, of which, we feel desirous each Individual may improve their own Share, and which if duly attended to, our sense is, it will prove a profitable Time.

The Meetings for Business were satisfactorily conducted, and we have nothing particular to remark of

1791. of any of our Members.

The Meetings for Worship on 1st Day appeared to be quiet, considering the great Number of People, and the public Appearances were satisfactory: and the Meeting at Portsmouth also appeared to be rather a comfortable Time.

Signed in behalf of the Committee by

Jeremiah Hacker.

Sarah Hoxie.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 8th Hour to-morrow Morning. —

4th day met according to Adjournment.

The Committee to the Oversight of the Meetings reported, that they had nothing particularly to remark of the Meetings yesterday.

The Queries were read, with the Answers from the several Select Quarterly meetings hereto belonging, and the sundry pertinent Remarks made on the apparent Deficiencies among us, we desire may excite care and Labour for their removal. ——

Committee to visit continued

The Committee appointed last year to visit the several select Quarterly meetings, report that most of them have visited two of the Quarters and some of the Monthly Meetings therein, and laboured as ability was afforded for the Removal of Deficiencies, and the same Friends are continued to compleat that Service and report to our next select Yearly meeting. ——

The Clerk is directed to make out a Summary of the Answers to the Queries and present to the Adjournment of this Meeting ——

This Meeting is adjourned to the 8th Hour tomorrow Morning.

5th Day met by Adjournment. ——

The Committee to the Oversight of Meetings reported, that they considered our Meeting yesterday as

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as an exercising, searching, favoured Season; and that the Yearly meeting for Business was conducted to general Satisfaction. ——

The Clerk presented a Summary of the Answers to the Queries, which was read and accepted, as follows, viz.ᵗ ——

That Ministers and Elders are generally careful in attending all their Meetings, and in taking their Families thereto, excepting some Instances in two Summary Meetings in not being so careful in getting out their Families, most being exemplary in waiting, not giving way to Drowsiness, — except in some few affecting Instances. —

That the Ministry generally appears to be sound in Word and Doctrine, and mostly careful to minister in the right Ability, one Individual excepted, and in that Instance and otherwise some care hath been taken.

The Lives & Conversations of Ministers and Elders appear to be blameless among Men; tho' not so with all, that Unity is in a good Measure preserved; so that harmonious Labour is not much obstructed being careful of giving just Cause of Offence to any.

That they generally endeavour to Rule their Houses well, and to bring their Families up in plainness & to example well, tho' there is a falling short in some of these Respects. That they are generally careful for Peacemaking, and to avoid spreading evil Reports, or improperly busying themselves, careful in maintaining the Discipline, and for the impartial Administration of Justice, tho' not without some exception in the latter: and that no Ministers Travels on a religious Account out of the Quarterly Meeting they belong to without Certificates.

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1791 This Meeting having again been favoured, thro the Exercises and Labours attending it, with heavenly Regard and consolating Help, by which we have been enabled to conduct the weighty Affairs which came before us, with brotherly Love and Harmony: — in a Sense of Favour we desire to conclude — intending if the Lord permit, to meet again at the usual Time and Place next Year.

Signed in and on behalf of said Meeting by

Caleb Greene Clerk to the Meeting this Year

1792 At a Select Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders for New England began at Portsmouth on Rhodisland the 6th of the 6th Month 1792.

The Representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging, by the Accots presented are

From, Rhodeisland, Thomas Hazard, David Buffum, Jacob Mott, George Comstock, Job Scott, Anna Greene, Patience Brayton & Sarah Hoxie

Salem, Joshua Folsom, John Taber Jun., Winslow, Remington Hobby, Elizabeth Taber, Mary Bassett & Lydia Winslow

Sandwich, Johna. Mitchel, Jerem. Austin, Joseph Tucker, John Bailey, Rhoda Tucker, Anna Swain & Eliza

1792 Elizabeth Wing, who being called are all present, except Elizabeth Wing, who sent the reason of her Absence in Writing, which was to the Satisfaction of this Meeting.

Jethro Mitchel, Sampson Shearman, Henry Oliver, John Tabor, George Comstock, Jeremiah Austin, Moses Brown, Mary Richey & Sarah Hoxie, Mary Baffet, Anna Hacker and Anna Greene, are appointed to the Oversight of the Meetings during the yearly Meeting, and to report their Prospects thereof to the several Sittings of this Meeting.

The Accounts from the several Select meetings belonging here to were read: and by that from Rhodeisland we are informed, that they received Recommendations of the publick Appearance of John Knowles in the Ministry and of the appointment of Benedict Arnold and Lydia Smith to the Station of Elders

This Meeting is informed of the Approbation of Sandwich Quarter, to the Appointment of Sylvanus Macy to the Station of an Elder

The Queries were read, with the Answers from the several Select meetings, by some of which, some sorrowfully affecting Deficiencies appear in some Places.

This Meeting is adjourned to the 8th Hour next 6th Day Morning at Newport.

8th Day met: by Adjournment.

The Representatives all present that were at the first sitting.

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The Representatives proposed the reappointment of Caleb Greene as Clerk to this Meeting for the year ensuing, which being Approbated by this Meeting he is appointed accordingly.

5th Report Comtte to oversight mo 9th

The Committee appointed to the Oversight of Meetings, made report in Writing, which was read and accepted and is as follows; —

"The Committee report that according to their Sense the Selectmeeting yesterday was a heavy dull Time, attended with some Appearance of Drowsiness, of which some Care has been taken.

The Meeting for Worship to day was rather more favoured; yet but little Life appeared to cover, tho' preserved in a good Degree of Quiet.

Of the public Appearances in both, we have nothing to remark; Signed in behalf of the Committee by

Henry Oliver
Sarah Hoxie."

7th of the 6th month 1792.

Jeremiah Hacker and Remington Hobby with the Clerk, are appointed to consider of the Answers to the Queries and to make an Essay of such Advices to the Select Quarterly meetings as may to them appear necessary — and the Committee under Appointment to visit the several select meetings, are desired to unite with this Committee and this Service, who are also to make out a Summary of said Answers, and present it with said Essay to a future sitting of this Meeting.

This Meeting is adjourn'd to the 8th Hour tomorrow Morning —

9th Day met according to Adjournment. The Representatives all present, that were yesterday.

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The Committee appointed to the Oversight of Meetings, make Report in Writing as follows, being read and accepted,

"The Committe to have the Oversight of the Meetings, report. That according to their Sense our Meeting this Morning was rather more favoured, than at our first sitting, and have nothing to remark on the Conduct or public Appearances therein.

2. Report of Comtt. oversight

The public Meeting for Worship was a quiet Meeting, and have no remark to make on the public Appearances; yet some Care hath been taken, where it appeared necessary.—

The Meetings for Discipline were conducted orderly." Signid on behalf of the Committe

Newport 8th of 6th mo. 1792 } Henry Oliver
Anne Hacker"

The Committee appointed to visit the several Select meetings, &c. report that they visited the other Quarterly Meeting since last year, to a good Degree of satisfaction.

The Friends appointed on the Answers to the Queries have made a Summary of said Answers, which was read and accepted, and is as follows.

Summary Answers } "First, That Ministers and Elders are generally careful to attend their Meetings, not all so careful as the Query calls for in getting their Families thereto, that they are mostly pretty good Examples in waiting, some Instances of Drowsiness prevailing in one or two Meetings, in one of which care is taken.

Second, That Ministers are generally sound in Word and Doctrine—and in a good

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1792 Degree careful to minister in the right Ability, where it hath appeared otherwise some Care hath been taken.

summary. Third, That the Lives and Conversations of Ministers and Elders are for the most part clean and blameless among Men, that a good Degree of Unity subsists among most who harmoniously labour for Truth's Honour, and such it appears are in Unity with the Meetings they belong to, — some affecting Instances to the Contrary of this from one Meeting, mostly careful in giving any just Occasion of Offence and where otherwise in some Instances, it appears Care hath been taken. —

Fourth, There appears a general Care, for the right Government of their Families, and to bring them up in Plainness: — and altho' pretty good Examples themselves some Deficiences appear, particularly in respect to Plainness by accounts from two Meetings.

Fifthly, That they are measurably engaged for Peacemaking in Families and the Church, and not to spread evil Reports, or be busy Bodies an Exception herein in one Account, in which some Care appears to have been extended.

That they are measurably engaged to maintain the Discipline in its several Parts, — none being hid from Truth's Judgment, yet it appears by one Account, that there is a spirit of Opposition to Discipline in some at Times wherein some Labour hath been bestowed.

Clear in respect to the 7th Query.

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Adjourned

This Meeting is adjourned to next 2d. day Morning at the 8th Hour the 11th. Instant.

11th Day met according to Adjournment.

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The Representatives all present that were heretofore.

The Committee to the Oversight of the Meetings, make report in Writing, which was accepted as follows, viz.t—

3. Report of Committee of Oversight.

" According to our Sense, our morning Meeting on seventh Day was more favoured than had before been experienced at this Yearly Meeting, the public appearances therein were in general satisfactory, and where otherwise Care hath been taken.

The Meetings for Business succeeding were orderly conducted, and no remark to make on the public Appearances therein.

Our Meetings for worship on first Day at Newport especially in the Forenoon, was in some good degree a Time of Favour, tho' we think not so much so in the afternoon, the public Appearances to some degree of satisfaction, and where otherwise Care hath been taken.

The Meeting at Portsmouth was a quiet Meeting, tho' rather dull in the forepart, yet towards the Close, we think more favoured, The public appearancy to a good degree of satisfaction.

Signed in behalf of the Committee

Newport 10th of 6m. 1792.

Jeremiah Austin
Henry Oliver
Anne Hacker
Mary Mitchel. "

1792. An Essay for an Epistle to the Select Quarterly meetings being presented by the Friends appointed for that Service, which being read is approved and signed by the Clerk; and Job Chaloner and Henry Oliver are appointed to assist him in making out Copies thereof to be forwarded to said Meetings the Epistle is as follows,

From our Select yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhodeisland, from the 6th of the 6th Month 1792. to the 12th of the same inclusive.—

To the Select Quarterly Meetings hereto belonging. Epistle

Dear Friends,

A Concern hath been livingly felt in this our annual Assembly, for the Health & Preservation of our Members in the several Branches of the yearly Meeting: and noticing with painful Sensations, an Account brought up from one of the Quarters, of an Opposition to the wholesome Discipline of the Church: the Impressions on our Minds have been such, that it seems indispensible with us to express in this way, our earnest Wish, that the living among you may feel for the immovable Foundation, yea dig deep and build upon it, carefully guarding against every Work that will not endure the Trial by Fire.

Let not any of the well concerned be discouraged, even tho' Gog and Magog engage against the Truth and those who are in it: but keeping

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keeping on the whole Armour of Light and
waiting the Direction of the Lawgiver of Israel
put Shoulder to Shoulder in the Work and stand
valiantly for the Cause of Truth, it is worth suf-
fering and enduring Hardneſs for, the Crown is
at the End of the Race, and ye shall reap if ye
faint not: God is still known in Judah his
Name is yet great in Israel, — and there are
thro' his preserving Goodneſs, on whose Hearts it
is sealed with indubitable Clearneſs, that He it is
who hath required the Establishment of our whole
some Discipline: — He hath often eminently re
vealed his Arm of Power in Vindication and
Support of it, — he hath remarkably blasted
and will blast, such as despise and tram-
ple upon it. — We know Dear Friends
there is Danger of Formality in maintaining
it, and let all beware of it, and feel for the Life:
but be ye tenderly warned against giving Place
to that dark seducing Spirit, which cloathing
its vile Opposition both to the Life and the Letter,
under the specious Pretence of more extensive
Charity, would be blending the Precious with the
Vile, and thereby lay Waste the Heritage of
our God, by opposing and undervaluing the
Laws, which he requires our diligent Observance
of, — that Spirit hath never prospered and nev-
er will, for God and his Chosen will have War
with it from Generation to Generation: — may
none of the honest hearted be deceived by any of
its plausible Pretences, it leads into Captivity,
and the Bondage of Corruption, even when it se-
duceth the Unwary by fair Promises of Liberty
and greater Spirituality, and it may be relied upon,

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that however Opposers may seem for a While to flourish, and however others may rest in Letter and Form; yet in the Hand of the livingly baptized, our God will still magnify the Law and make it honourable

We are earnest that the Simplicity may not be betrayed in any, by the treacherous Dealer who is still dealing treacherously, therefore look all to the Lord, trust singly in Him, and lean not to your own Understandings, — and then we trust he will preserve and build you up in the most holy Faith, giving you an Inheritance among all them that are Sanctified. ——

And we may add that we think it may be well for the Select Quarterly Meetings to extend what Care and Assistance may open in the Truth, by Committees or otherwise for strengthening the Hands of the honest Labourers and for the silencing Gainsayers. ——

Signed by Direction and on behalf of said Meeting, By ——

Caleb Greene Clerk to the Meeting this Year.

Adjourned. This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th hour to-morrow morning.

Met 12th Day met by Adjournment.

The Representatives all present, that were yesterday.

The Committee to the Oversight of Meetings, report in Writing, which is accepted and

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" According to our Sense, our Meeting this Morning was in some good Degree a favoured Meeting, and have nothing to remark on the public appearances therein.

The Meetings for Business succeeding were in a good Degree favoured Seasons, and the Business conducted Orderly.

The public Appearances therein were satisfactory. Signed on behalf of the Comtee

George Comstock.
Henry Oliver
Sarah Hoxie
Anne Hacker "

Report 11th of 6th 1792

" Having gone thro' the Business which came before us, and been favour'd thro' the several sittings of this Meeting, with that which, in a good degree, hath united us to our Holy Head and one unto another: in a sense of which Favour, we desire to conclude this Meeting, intending to meet again at the usual Time and Place next Year, if the Lord Permit —

Signed by Caleb Greene Clerk to the Meeting this Year

At A Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders Began and held at Portsmouth On Rhode Island For New England the 12 of ye 6th month 1793

The Accounts from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings hereto Belonging Being presented The Representatives Named Therein, Are

For Rhode Island, Elishua Thornton, John Lafey, Moses Brown, Anna Greene and Ruth Shearman.

For Salem, Jeremiah Hacker, John Winslow, Samuel Collins, Stephen Morrill, Deborah Rogers Sarah Tabor, and Anna Hacker.

For Sandwich, Benjamin Worth, Jeremiah Austin Jethro Mitchell, Joseph Wing, John Baily, Anna Gardner, Abigail Wing and Elizabeth Wing.

Who Being Called are all present Except Abigail Wing, ~~who forwarded~~ and Elizabeth Wing The Occation of the Absence of Abigail Wing The forwarded to this meeting in Writing. Which Care was Satisfactory to this meeting And by Verbal information Elizabeth Wing Absence is Occationed by Sickness in her family

Our Friends Jeremiah Austin, Samson Shearman, Moses Brown, Anna Gardner, Anna Greene Deborah Davis and Anna Hacker Are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Ensuing Yearly Meeting and to report their proceedings thereof, to the Succeeding Sittings of this Meeting

The Accounts from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings were Read. and that from Salem Gave Information that their Quarterly Meeting had Approved of the Appointment of Paul Bogen to the Station of an Elder, and the Recommendation of Abigail Fulsom as a Minister, and Dismission of James Neal, Jonathan Dow, and Elisha Purington from Being members of the Select Meeting.

The Entering into Consideration of the State of the Meetings by reading the Answers to the Queries is deferred to Our Next Sitting.

This Meeting is adjourned to the Eighth hour, Next Six Day Morning at Newport

The 14th day Met according to Adjournment the Representatives all present that were at our Last Sitting and Elizabeth Wing also attended at this time

The Representatives propose John Casey for Clerk to this Meeting this Year, Which Being Approved of he is Appointed Clerk Accordingly.

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings, made the following Report Which Being read was Accepted And is as followeth. According to Our Sense, the State of the Meeting On fourth Day was Pointed Out in the Publick Appearance and therefore they had Nothing to Remark the meeting on First Day Appeared to be favoured the Publick Appearances Satisfactory. Signed in Behalf of The Committee By Jeremiah Thurber

Anna Gardner

The 13th of 6-month 1793

The Queries were read in this Meeting and Likewise Answers thereto from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings thereto Belonging in Which there was Exhibited Writeing Accounts Of Deficiences, Upon Which Divers Suitable Observations Were made ——

Caleb Greene With the Clerk of this meeting are Appointed to Make Out A Summary of the Above Said Answers and Bring to Afuture Sitting of this Meeting ——

This Meeting is adjourned to the 7th hour Next Second day morning the 19th Instant

19th day Met by Adjournment the Representatives All present that were at Our Last Sitting

This Meeting is Verbally Informed that Sandwich Quarterly Meeting had Approved of the Recommendation of Elizabeth Wells as a Minister

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings Made Report Which Being read was Approved And is as followeth —— That we have Nothing Perticular to Remark Respecting the Morning Meeting On Sixth day — The Publick Meeting for Worship Appeared to us to be favoured Especially in the forepart. The Appearances in the Ministry Generally Satisfactory, and where otherwise Care has Been taken. Some Care Extended On Account of Some Appearances in the Meeting for Business. —— The

Meeting on first day according to our sense was
favoured Season Especially the forepart, In the
afternoon, the Quiet we Apprehend it was not
so much favoured. The Appearances in the
Ministry mostly Satisfactory —— The Meeting
at Portsmouth appeared to be a pretty Solid
time, tho Interrupted by an unsavory
Appearance by one not a member of the
Select Meeting —— Signed in Behalf of the
Committee by ——— Sam.l Sherman
Second day morning 17th instant Anna Gardner

The Committee appointed to make out a Summary of
Answers to the Queries having produced them
they were read, Approved and are as followeth
First, that Ministers and Elders are generally
careful to attend their Meetings, and to Get
out their families, thereto able to, be Exemplary
in humble waiting in which there are some
Instances of Deficiencies, as Likewise in not being
sufficiently Guarded against the Approaches of
Drowsiness, some Care taken ———

2 That ministers are Generally sound in Word
And Doctrine and in a good Degree careful
to Minister in the Right Ability ———

3 That the Lives and Conversations of Ministers and Elders, are in
a Good Degree Blameless Among men, that Unity
Measureably Subsists among them and With the
Meetings they Belong to, tho not Without some
Exception in that Respect as Likewise in
Harmonious Labour. Generally Careful to Avoid
Giving Occation of Offence Some few instances Excepted
in Which Some Care is taken

4th That they are Engaged to Rule their houses
Well and Bring up their families in Shining
the some Instances of Deficiencies therein are
Acknowledged, yet Belly Good Examples themselves
that they are Generally Engaged to promote Peace
And to Avoid raising or Spreading Evil
Reports or Buying themselves Improperly
Being in a good Degree Careful to Maintain
the Discipline and not hide any from
truths Judgment, But to administer Justice
impartially — and Clear as far as Appears
in Respect to the Seventh Query.

Our Friends Elisha Thurston, Nemiah Hobby, David Buffum, and Isaac Lawton, are Appointed to Recommend the Answers to the Queries, and if any matter should in Lively manner be presented as Needfull to Communicate to the Lower meeting that they make an Essay thereof and Report to the Adjournment of this Meeting — This Meeting Adjourns to the 8th hour on third Morning 18 day Met by adjournment the Representatives all present as heretofore

The Committee for the Oversight of Meetings Made Report which Being read was Accepted And is as followeth: That there appears Nothing perticular in Either of the Meetings Yesterday which we think Best to Remark Signed in Behalf of the Committee Jemima Hacker

Anna Greene

Third Day morning 18th instant

Said Committee are Continued to attend upon
their Appointment and make a report to the
Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders, Next Year

The Committee Appointed to reconsider the
Answer to the Queries and Make an Essay
of some Further Communication to the Lower meetings
Not having Seen their Way Clear for
Such Communication have Omitted it

This Meeting having Gone Through
the Business Which Came Before
it, in Brotherly Love and Condescention
And favoured in the Several Sittings
thereof With the Extendings of Heavenly
Regard Which is renewedly Vouchsafed
at this time for Which favours we
Desire to be reverently thankfull and
Under a Sense of it Conclude this Meeting
Intending if the Lord permitt to meet
Again Next Year at the Usual time
And Place. — Signed By

John Casey Clerk to
the Meeting this Year

At a Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Rhode Island for New England Began at Portsmouth the 11th day of the 6th month 1794

The Account from the Several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Belonging to this meeting Being Presented The Representatives Named herein Are

For Rhode Island, David Buffum, John Langford Jonathan Greene Elisha Thornton, Mary Mitchell, and Anna Greene

For Salem, Jeremiah Hacker, John Fator, Paul Rogers, Ebenezer Winslow, Lydia Winslow, Anna Hacker, and Deborah Rogers

For Sandwich Joseph Wing, John Bailey, Thural Coffin, Jethro Mitchell, Susannah Russell, And Rhoda Tucker — Who Being Called were all Present Except Susannah Russell and Rhoda Tucker: from the Last Mentioned A Reason of Absence Was Sent to this Meeting in Writing Which Was Satisfactory

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings Last Year Made Report to this Meeting Which Being Read Was Accepted and is as Followeth Viz. The Committee for the Oversight of the Meetings Report, That the Meeting Closed to General Satisfaction Nothing particular to Remark of Any of Our Members Signed

Jeremiah Hacker

Deborah Davis

18th of the Sixth month 1794

To the Next Yearly Select meeting

The Accounts from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings Belonging to this Were Read and Rhode Island Gave information that their Quarterly Meeting had Approved of the Publick Appearance In the Ministry of Anna Greene Daughter of Joseph & Also of Abigail Robinson Daughter of Thomas

Our Friends Jonathan Greene John Tabor John Casey Moses Brown, Anna Slocum Sarah Barker Hepsebah Bussum And Anna Greene, are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Ensuing Yearly Meeting and to Report their Prospect to the Several Sittings of this Meeting as Occasion may Open

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour Next Sixth Day Morning at Newport the 13th Instant

13th day Met by adjournment Representatives Present that were at Our last Setting with the addition of Susannah Russell Who Attended this time

The Representatives have proposed the Reappointment of John Casey as Clerk to this Meeting Which having the Approbation thereof he is Appointed Clerk for the Year Ensuing

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings Made report Which Being read was Accepted and is as followeth — That According to their Sense the Select Meeting On fourth Day and the Publick Meeting On 1st Day Were held, to pretty Good Satisfaction having Nothing further to Remark then the meeting for Worship is Long Continued 12th Mo 1771 Signed by Moses Brown and Sarah Barker

This Meeting adjourns to the Eight hour tomorrow Morning the 14th Instant

Met by adjournment Representatives Present that Were at Our Last Setting

The Queries, and the Answers that Were Sent from Each Meeting Belonging to this Were Read, Some of Which Contained very Pleasing Accounts of Deficiencies, — upon Which Divers Suitable Remarks Were made — And this Meeting taking into Solid Consideration the State of Society as Exhibited in Said Accounts. Do Appoint Our Friends David Buffum, Moses Brown, Elisha Thornton John Tabor Jethro Mitchell Remington Hobby Jacob Mott Mary Mitchell and Anna Hacker to Reconsider them and Propose as Way may Open to Future Setting of this Meeting, Some Line of Conduct for it to peroue that may have a Tendency to Effect a Reformation —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour Next Second morning the 16th Instant

16th day Met by adjournment Representatives Present as Before Except Some on a Committee

This Meeting is Orally Informed that the Quarterly meeting of Sandwich had Approved of the recommendation of Dorcas Brown as a Minister — — —

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings Report Which being Read was Accepted and is as followeth

The Committee for the Oversight of the Meetings
Report. That the Morning Meeting on 6th day
According to Our Sense Was Satisfactory Opertunity
The Meeting for Worship Solid favoured Season
The Meeting for Discipline in the Afternoon, and
On Seventh day Were Conducted to good Satisfaction
The Meeting for Worship at Newport On first
Day in the forenoon Was Large, Settled Quiet
And favoured Time that in the Afternoon the
Much Crouded Was a Pretty Satisfactory Season
Yet With Sorrow Some disorder was Observed
In the People Comeing from the Gallery after it
Closed. — The Meeting at Portsmouth was Large
Quiet and favoured. Signed In Behalf of the
Committee By — — — — — — John Taylor
Anna Harker

The Committee Appointed to Reconsider the
Answers to the Queries Produced the following
Report Which Being read Was Approved and is
as followeth — And the Clerk is Directed to
Furnish them Quarterly meeting of Menalens and
Elders with a Copy of said Report and Likewise
With a Copy of the minuet of their Appointment
Also to Each of the Other Quarters, as Need may Require

We have Met and Considered the Subject of Our
Appointment, and Report as Our Sense that in order
for the Restoration of order and Harmony, it Should
Be the Care of Quarterly Meetings to pay due attention
to the State of Select meetings in Each monthly meeting and
of the particular Members Which Compose the Same, and
Where any things Appears Necessary in order to
Strengthen the hands of the Exercised Careful Labourers
for the Honour of Truth and Good order and Harmony
of Society. they be Engaged to Seek for a Right Clearness
to proceed therein, and to Labour as Way may be made

to

Effect so desireable a purpose ——— and there
Appearing by the Answers from Salem Quarte
Some Cause of Uneasiness, that Meeting are
Particularly Intreated to Give all Diligence
herein for Removing the Same Signed in
Behalf of the Committee By Elisha Thornton & Mary
Mitchell ——— ———

The Representatives with the Clerk are Desired
to make out a Summary of the Answers to be
Recorded which the Clerk is Directed to Perform

The Committee Appointed to have the Oversight
of Meetings are Desired to attend to their
Appointment and prepare a Report to be
Delivered to this Meeting Next Year

This meeting having gone through the Business
that Came Before it, in a good Degree of
Brotherly Love and Condescention and favoured
in the Several Sittings thereof With Divine
Regard and Encouragement Which in this Our
Last Sitting has Been Renewedly Extended to
the Uniting of us in Degree to the holy Head
And One unto Another, in Which Salvation
We in Humble Sense of thankfulness
Conclude this Meeting Intending if the Lord
Permitt to Meet Again Next Year
Signed in Behalf of the Meeting By
John Casey Clerk

A Summary of the Answers to the Queries are

As Followeth

1st Generally Carefull in attendance of Meetings - Bringing Families, And to Exhibit good Examples in Walking tho Not Without Exceptions Some few instances of Giving Way to Drowsiness — of Which and the other Defect Some Care appears to be taken —

Answer 2 Ministers are Generally Sound in Word and Doctrine, and Measurably Carefull to Maintain the Right Unity — tho Weakness has Appeared in Some Care taken therein —

Answer 3 The Lives and Conversations of Ministers and Elders Generally Clean, and Blameless Among men, with Some Small Deficiency — Unity Generally Subsists Among Us, and therein in Unity with the Meetings we Belong to tho Not Without Exception - Which has in Some few instances Obstructed harmonious Labour - Which 3. may Likewise in One or two instances Been Accompanied With Want of Sufficient Care Not to Give Just Cause of Offence, of Which and the other Defect Some Care Taken

Answer 4th Generally Carefull to Rule our houses well, and Bring up Our Families as queried Ufter, tho not Without Some Exceptions in Governing Families - and Walking at all times and on all Occations Exemplary

Answer 5th Generally Endeavour to promote Peace in Families and in the Church — tho Sensible of Want of Sufficient Engagement at all times for that, and to the Check of Spreading Reports, and Concerning Ourselves Improperly —

Answer 6th Generally Carefull to maintain the Discipline yet Sensible at times of Want of that Concern that Truth Requires. Some hide from Truths Judgment that We know of and Endeavour to be impartial in administering Justice —

Answer 7th Clear as far as We know

At A Yearly meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Rhode Island, for New England Began at Portsmouth the 10th day of the Sixth Month 1795. ——————————

The Accounts from the Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders Belonging to this Meeting Being presented the Representatives Named Herein Are. ——————————

For Rhode Island. —— Moses Brown, David Sutton, Elisha Thornton, John Casey, Ruth Shearman, Sarah Wilbur, and Deborah Mowry. ——————————

For Salem. —— Samuel Cottin, Paul Rogers, Elijah Hutchins, Mehetabel Hutchins Hannah Low, and Deborah Rogers. ——————————

For Sandwich —— John Daily, Esther Mitchell, William Hatch, Anna Gardner, and Rhoda Tucker. ——————————

For Falmouth —— Jeremiah Hacker, Esther Winslow, John Tyson, Elizabeth Tabor, And Anna Hacker. ——————————

Who Being called there all Present ——————————

The Committee Continued Last Year for the Oversight of Meetings Reported, which Being read was Approved and is as followeth ——————————

We the Committee Continued to have the Oversight of Meetings —————— Report

that the Select Meeting yesterday Morning
appointed to us in Abigail Dyer's Room to the
Service, and in the succeeding Meetings of
Business. Nothing Occurred in the Conduct
of the Members that required Particular
Notice; — Signed in Behalf of the Committee
by Jonathan Scott
Samuel Slocum

Samuel Slocum 6 mo 4th
1791 — To the Yearly
Select Quarterly Meeting.

The Account from the several Meetings
belonging to this Meeting read — that from Smithfield
informs that their Quarterly meeting had
Concurred with Providence monthly meeting
in the Appointment of Burgess Smith and Abner
Brayton, — With Greenwich Monthly Meeting
In the Appointment of Elisha Sherman and
Sylvester Weaver — With South Kingston Monthly
Meeting in the Appointment of Alice Gardner
and Lucy Weaver and with Providence
Monthly Meeting in the Appointment
of Elihu Brown and Sarah Slocum — In the
Station of Elders, — Uncasville Salem
Quarterly Informs that their Quarterly meeting
has Concurred with Salem Monthly meeting
In the Appointment of Sarah Gardiner and
Ruth Gardner Monthly meeting in the Appointment
of John Gore Dorcas Dawley and Hannah Gore
to the Station of Elders — Uncasville Falmouth
Quarterly Informs that their Quarterly meeting has
Concurred with Falmouth Monthly meeting in the
Appointment of Elihu Boarman and Elizabeth
Boarman to the Office of Elders —

Wm Evans Samson Shearman, Jethro Mitchel
John Tabor Samuel Collins John Casey
Moses Brown Jeremiah Austin, Thos Tucker
Deborah Mowry Sarah Wilbur and Rhoda
Tucker are appointed to have the Oversight
of the Ensuing Yearly meeting, and Report
to the Succeeding Sittings of this Meeting —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8 hour 2d
Sixth Day morning the 12th Instant — — — — —

12th day Met By adjournment — —
Representatives all present — —

The Representatives have proposed the
Reappointment of John Casey as Clerk to this
Meeting for the year Ensuing which Being
Approved of he is Appointed Accordingly

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings
Report that According to their Sense the
Meeting Yesterday was Approved Meeting —

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour tomorrow
Morning — — — — —

13th Day Met By adjournment. — —

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings
Report, which Being read was Approved &
is as followeth &c — — — — —

We have Nothing to Observe, as to the Morning
Meeting — the Meeting for Worship Appears to be
Conducted Orderly, and Ended to Satisfaction
We Observed Nothing Necessary to Notice in the
Meetings of Business Signed in behalf of the Comte
Wm Evans Samson Shearman Thos Tucker

The Queries, and Answers from Each of the
Quarterly meetings of Ministers and Elders
belonging to this Meeting Where read in
which Queries Necessity & Deficiencies were
Contained Upon which Several Exhortations
were made and accompanied with Salutary
advice and Counsel to the Satisfaction of
this Meeting — A Summary of said Answers
were likewise read which being Approved
by Same to be Recorded —

And are as follows

That Ministers and Elders Generally attend their
Meetings and Endeavour an Attendence of their Families
the Same also that thereon - Mostly Exemplary Save
giving way to Drowsiness —

That the Ministry is Generally Sound in Words and
Doctrine, and in a Good Degree Careful to Minister
in the Right Motive — and there it hath been
otherways Care hath Been taken —

The Lives and Conversations of Ministers and
Elders, are in a Good Degree Clean and Blameless
among men Being Generally in Unity One with
Another and with the Meetings they Belong to
Harmoniously Assembling together in Church
Honour Generally Careful with Respect to Dress
tho Not Quite With Exception — — — — —

That they are Generally Careful to Rule their
houses, and Bring up their families as Required
After Just Some Deficiency Appears Contrary to
the Good Examples Themselves —

That they mostly Endeavour to be Grace made
in families and in the Church and take Care
Not to be Concerned in Raising unprovoked
Evil Reports to Improperly Employ themselves
With Some Little Deficiency therein ——

That it Appears there is a good Degree of Care
to Maintain the Discipline None Guilty
from Youths Judgment of Occation Be Given
Endeavouring to administer Justice Impartially
Clear in respect to the Seventh Query

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour Next
Second day morning the 15th Instant

15th day Met By adjournment Representatives all
present Except Elijah Jenkins whose Absence is
occationed By Indisposition —— The Committee
for the Oversight of Meetings Report as Followeth
that According to their Sense the Meetings
for Worship have all Been Satisfactory Seasons
and We have Nothing to Remark in the Meetings
of Business. Signed in Behalf of the
Committee By ... Samuel Collins and
Anne Wacher

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour
Tomorrow Morning ——

16th day Met By adjournment. Representatives
All present ——

The Committee for the Oversight of Meetings
Inform that Nothing Appeared in the Conduct
of the Members in the Meetings of Business that
Made it Necessary to Make any Remark On

This Meeting has been favoured with the
Company of Our Beloved friends, John Hopkins,
Martha Routh, Deborah Darby, and Rebecka Young
from Great Britain, having Certificates from
their respective Monthly meetings and Concurrent
Certificates from the Quarterly meetings, and the
Meetings of Ministers and Elders held in London
And the Company of Our friends Joseph Edmund
from South Carolina, Samuel Smith from
Philadelphia and Henry Hull from New England
having Certificates from their respective Monthly
Meetings and Concurring Certificate from their
Quarterly Meetings. All of which were read and
their Company and Labours in Gospel Love
were Acceptable, Comfortable and Satisfactory to us

This Meeting has Concluded the Business that
came Before it With Brotherly Love and Concord
And favoured in the Several Sittings thereof
With the fresh Extendings of heavenly Regard
And Notice. Which has Measurably Empressed
Our Minds With humble Thankfulness. Under
A Sense of Which We Conclude this Meeting
Intending if the Lord permit to Meet
Again Next Year. Signed in Behalf of
the Meeting By ——— Jno Cox Jr Clerk
to the Meeting this
Year ———

A Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held on Rhode Island for New England, began at Portsmouth the 8th Day of the 6th month 1796. ——

The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers and Elders belonging to this Yearly presented the Representatives named therein, Viz

For Rhode Island. Daniel Ulrich, Isaac Lyon, David Buffum, Elisabeth Thornton, Anna Greene, Lydia Smith, and Ruby Wilbur. ——

For Salem. Samuel Collins, Paul Mosher, Henry Howes, Elizabeth Turney, and Mary Barnet. ——

For Sandwich, Joseph Wing, Jeremiah Austin, Pethro Mitchell, Joseph Tucker, Deborah Davis, Rot Bowerman, and Anna Gardner. ——

For Falmouth Jeremiah Thacher, John Tabor, Peter Thurston, Anna Thacher, Lydia Thurston, and Sarah Tabor. ——

Who being called, were all present, Except Mary and Rot Bowerman. From the last Monthly & Preparative Meetings of Ministers, Elders and Overseers in Nine Partners and Oblong ——— Verbal Information

We Queen that belongs in Many Queen
Quarterly Meetings no Queries

The Account from the several Select Quarterly
Meetings having been received, were
Read at this time, and from Rhode Island
Yearly Information of the Concurrence
of the Quarterly meeting with the Monthly
Meeting in Approving of the
Publick appearance in the Ministry
of Richard Mosey, And also with
Rhode Island and Greenwich monthly
Meeting in the Appointment of Sarah
Slocum, and Deborah Greene to the
Station of Elders ——— And
from Salem Information was Given
that Dover monthly meeting had Granted
Richard Jones and Eunice Varney, to
the Place of Elders With Which Judgment
they had Unity ——— And Newark
likewise Informs that their Quarterly
Meeting had united With Concord and
Dartmouth monthly meetings in the
Appointment of Rebecca Austin, and
Jonathan Hall to the Station of Elders
And that From Falmouth Likewise
Informs that their Quarterly meeting
had Unity with Micajah Dudley
Appearing in the Ministry — And

had concurred, with Lustam, and Wallborough monthly meetings. In the Appointment of Stephen Jones, George Shelbrooks, Silas Goddard, Jacob Tabor Jr. And Anstress Hobby to the Station of Elders. ——

Our Friends, Esther Mitchell, Mary Brown, John Tabor, Samuel Collins Lydia Smith, Anna Greene, Deborah Davis And Sarah Tabor are Appointed to have the Oversight of the Ensuing Yearly Meeting and make a report of their proceedings to the Adjournment of this Meeting. ——

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour Next 1st Day Morning the 10th Instant to Meet at Newport. ——

10th day met by adjournment, Representatives all present that were at Our first Setting. ——

The Representatives propose the Reappointment of John Casey as Clerk for this meeting this Year Which Being Approved of he is Appointed Accordingly

The Committee having the Oversight of Meetings, Report, that the Meeting

of Worship Yesterday appeared to them
Comfortably Quiet and that they had
Nothing in particular to Communicate

The Queries, with Answers thereto Received
from the Several Select Quarterly Meetings
Were read at this time, Containing
some Affecting Accounts of Sufferings
which Were Exercising to this Meeting

This Meeting adjourns to the 8th hour
Next Second day morning the 13th Instant

13th day met By Adjournment

Representatives Present as Before

The Committee for the Oversight of Meetings
Made report, Which Being read was
Approved and is as followeth

The Committee for the Oversight of Meetings
Report that they have Been Conducted
to General Satisfaction, Where Care or
Caution Appeared Necessary it has Been
Extended Signed on Behalf of the
Committee By

Moses Brown
Deborah Lovell

A Summary of the Answers to the Queries
Being Referred to this Meeting Were read
and Approved and Directed to Be

Recorded

And are as Followeth

1 It Appears that ministers and Elders are Generally Carefull to attend all their Meetings at home, those Abroad Not so fully attended; Care and Ch. Be Mond of Most in Geting Out their families, tho Not without Some Exception Mostly good Examples when Mostly Where it hath Appeared Otherwise Care hath Been taken

Answer 2 Ministers Generally Sound in Word And Doctrine and Care to Minister In the right Ability.

Answer 3 The Lives and Conversation of Ministers And Elders, Appear to be in Good Degree Clean and Blameless Among Men; Mostly preserved in Unity One with Another and with the Meeting they belong to tho there appear Want of Harmonious Labour in some Generally Carefull not to Give just Occation of Offence to Any

Answer 4 Generally Endeavour for the right Government of families. tho Some Defficiencies Appear - Mostly Endeavour to be Good Examples themselves

Answer 5 Mostly Concerned for making Peace in families And in the Church, tho Not without Some little Exception In One meeting Generally Carefull in the other part of that Duety

Answer 6th

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Maintain the Discipline the there appears
Want in some. None are but from
Truth Judgment that we bear of. We
trust Justice is Impartially administered

Answer 7th

Clear in the Seventh Query as far
as appears.

having gone through the Business
that came Before us In harmony
and Condescention and in Our
Several Sittings Mercifully favoured
With heavenly help which has in
Good Degree Drew us Near to One
another and to the holy head. Which
favourable Extention of heavenly Notice
has Impressed Our minds With Degree
of humble thankfulness and Under these
sd we Desire to Conclude this Meeting
Intending if the Lord permitt to meet
Again next Year — Signed In
Behalf of the Meeting By

John Cowgill

To the meeting this
Year

At a yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in Rhode Island for New England ye 1st Fifth month & 5th day of the week 1795. — The Accounts from the several Quarterly Meetings of Ministers & Elders belonging to this Meeting being presented the Representatives named herein are.

For Rhode Island,

George Comstock, Samson Shuman, Deborah Greene, Moses Bassington, Sylvester Rose, Prudence Harris, and Sarah Fowler.

For Salem.

Joseph Philbricks, Paul Rogers, Samuel Collins, and Mehitable Jenkins.

For Sandwich.

William Rich, Jethro Mitchell, Joseph King, John Bailey, Patience Austin, Deborah Davis, and Ann Gardner.

For Falmouth

Ebenezer Winslow, John Tabor, Hannah Rogers, and Lydia Winslow.

Who being called were all present except George Comstock. — The Accounts from the several Meetings belonging to this being Read, that from Rhode Island gave information that the Quarterly Meeting had concurred with Nobbidge and Rhode

Island Monthly Meetings in approving of Sarah Holder, and Elizabeth Coggeshall as Ministers, and with Greenwich M.o Meeting in the appointment of Silas Greene, Benjamin Reynolds, and Sarah Northrop to the station of Elders, and likewise with Uxbridge M. Meeting in appointing Rachal Baker and Hannah Chase to the station of Elders. — From Sandwich information was likewise given that their Quarterly Meeting had approved of the appointments of Paul Wing Junr. Jeremiah Austin Junr. and William Rich Junr. to the station of Elders.

Answers to the Queries, were likewise received from each Meeting, hereto belonging, and read at this time.

Our Friends Moses Brown, Jeremiah Tucker, Lydia Smith, Anna Gardner, Sylvester Hykes, Silas Labor and Anna Tucker, are appointed to the ensuing Meetings, and make report their proceedings at the adjournment of this Meeting.

This Meeting adjourns to the 2d hour next sixth day morning, to meet at Newport.

2d day — Met by adjournment.

Representatives present that were at our first sitting.

This Meeting Received information that George Comstocks absence was occasioned by infirmity of Body.

The Representatives have reported Clarke Gifford as Clerk for this Meeting, which having the Unity thereof he is accordingly appointed for the year ensuing.

This Meeting adjourns to the 12th Inst. and to meet at 2 o'clock Afternoon.

12th day) Met by adjournment.

Representatives all present, who were before attending.

This Meeting has been favoured with the Company of our beloved Friends, David Bacon, Samuel Smith, and Nathan Allen Smith from Philadelphia, Charity Cox from South Carrolina, Lydia Hoskins from New Jersey & William Mitchell from the Nine Partners, who all produced Certificates from the Mo. Meetings to which they respectively belong; also our Friends John Wigham, and Martha Routh, from Great Britain who produced Certificates at a former Meeting, whose Company and Services in Gospel Love was comfortable and satisfactory to us. — Also Aaron Wills with a Copy of a Minute from the Mo. Meeting to which he belongs, attended at this time, whose Company also was acceptable to us.

The Committee for the oversight of Meetings reported as follows, viz. — We have attended to our appointment and according to our sense the Ministry in the several Meetings has been to a good degree of satisfaction, and the Meetings in Worship and Discipline in the general conducted orderly; where any care has been apprehended necessary, it has been attended to with satisfaction.

Signed in behalf of the Committee by
Moses Brown.
Anne Tucker.

Newport the 11th 6mo: 1797. —

Which is accepted.

Q. Summary answers to the Queries were read in, and approved by this Meeting, and it appears viz

Generally careful to attend all Meetings for Worship and Discipline and to bring with us as many of our Families as we can, and to be Exemplary therein, yet it is apparent that there is not that weighty engagement with some on those solemn occasions as Truth requires.

Not clear of giving way to drowsiness, on account of which this Meeting has often been Exercised, that Friends be more Watchful and watchful in future to avoid so reproachfull a weakness.

Ministers generally sound in word and Doctrine, accompanied with a care to Ministre in the right ability,

Endeavours are generally used to Support clear and blameless lives among Men, and for an increase of Unity, and the exercise of Harmonious labour, for Truths Sake, tho' not without exception, as such labour appears with some to be obstructed for want of true Unity; in a good measure careful to avoid giving just occasion of Stone.

Concern generally prevails to rule our Houses well and to bring up our Families in plainness & moderation, and to be exemplary in those respects ourselves, yet weakness is apparent, by a falling short herein.

Chiefly engaged for the promotion of Peace in Families, and in the Church, tho' an increasing Care in those

respects is evidently wanting) with some; generally carefull to avoid raising & spreading evill reports, & to busy ourselves improperly. ———

Care prevails for maintaining the Discipline. The disposition appears to counteract & rectify Judgment but to administer justice impartially. ———

Ministers are carefull in the observance of the Seventh Day. ———

Adjourned to the 7th Hour to morrow morning.

13th day met by adjournment, the same representatives present who attended yesterday. ———

(Having been favoured in the several sittings of this Meeting with the extendings of Divine regard, under a gratefull sense of which we concluded, intending if permitted to meet again next year

Signed on behalf of the Meeting) ———

By Clerke Rodman, Clerk to the Meeting this Year.

Enclosed a Commutation for the Breaches of Meetings
particularly agreed on & Given in 1787.
Decrees agreed on in 1753 & 1761.
Revised & altered as made in the 34th & 44th in 1782
Epistle of Admonition Against Holding Offices of Honour
or Profit &c. 1788
Reports to be made Orally or in Writing 1789.